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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/015309/K

I write in connection with your request for information dated 11/08/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

- 1. I would like to know where the people who have been involved in Human Trafficking are from originally (That have been arrested and charged in the UK) Under the Modern Slavery Act 2015 Period 2020-2025.***
- 2. Secondly victims, where is their original country and their ages Period 2020-2025.***

I do realise that this is sensitive data, and I do not want to know their address, just the country they are from, as I am compiling a list of countries that these crimes originate and the question has never been answered.

As I am sure this is a very delicate topic and I appreciate your views and discretion but would like comments on the current situation please in the UK, additionally what are the thoughts as a force in the UK

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate the requested information and I can confirm the information requested is held by GMP.

However, GMP does not hold some of the information that you have requested in an easily retrievable format.

The database in which we use for this information only records Adult or Child instead of age and there is no field to separately add this on. The only way to obtain any recorded age for question 2 would be to manually review each record to extract the available data. There are over 3000 victims combining both Adults and Child totals and to review each one would exceed 18hrs.

Therefore, as per **Section 12(1)** of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the cost of providing you with the information is above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice.

GMP is obligated, pursuant to section 16(1) of the Act to provide you with advice and assistance on refining your request to bring compliance within the fees limit. In order for the force to attempt to keep this within the fees limit, the information you are requesting will need revising with the removal of the age from this request and replacing with the total number of adults and children only. With any request that requires a manual review there is always a chance of a request being refused under S12 due to the enormity of work that is usually needed to provide the data, therefore the resulting response cannot be guaranteed at this point as it will be dependent upon the number of records that fall within the scope of any new request, as they would still have to be manually assessed.

Should you wish to refine and resubmit your request in line with the advice above please respond to freedomofinformation@gmp.police.uk.

Although excess costs remove GMP's obligations under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, as a gesture of goodwill I have supplied some information relative to your request that was retrieved before it was realised that the fees limit would be exceed (see below information). I hope that this is of use to you, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fee's regulations for the remainder of your request.

Question 1.

Suspects Nationality
Congo
Czech
Ethiopia
Guinea
Hungary
Iran
Iraq
Irish Republic
Nigeria
Pakistan
Poland

Portugal
Romania
Russia
Syria
United Kingdom
Unknown
Vietnam

Question 2.

Nationality of Victim
Afghan
African
Albanian
Algerian
Angolan
Austrian
Bangladeshi
Batswana
Belarusian
Bengali
Beninese
Brazilian
British
Bulgarian
Burundian
Cambodian
Cameroon
Cameroonian
Canadian
Central African
Chadian
Chinese
Congolese
Cuban
Czech
Danish
Democratic Republic of Congo
Dutch
Egyptian
Eritrean
Estonian
Ethiopian
Ethiopian

Filipino
French
Gambian
Ghanaian
Greek
Hungarian
Indian
Iranian
Iraqi
Irish
Israeli
Italian
Jamaican
Japanese
Jordanian
Kenyan
Kuwait
Kuwaiti
Latvian
Latvian
Libya
Libyan
Lithuanian
Malawian
Malaysian
Mauritanian
Mauritian
Moroccan
Motswana
Namibian
Nigerian
Pakistani
Polish
Portuguese
Romanian
Russian
Samoan
Saudi
Senegalese
Sierra Leone
Sierra Leonean
Slovakian
Slovenian

Somali
Somalian
Somalian
South African
Spanish
Sri Lankan
Sudanese
Swedish
Syrian
Thai
Togolese
Trinidadian or Tobagonian
Turkish
Ugandan
UNKNOWN
Vietnamese
Yemenite
Zambian
Zimbabwean