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Mr. Mery

Dear Mr Mery,

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO:
F-2008-01877**

I write in connection with your request, which was received by Lincolnshire Police on 18 November 2008, in which you seek access to the following information:

- **1. For each calendar year since 2002, how many DNA profiles were contributed by your force to the NDNAD.**
- **2. For each calendar year since 2002, how many DNA profiles were contributed to the NDNAD of individuals that were arrested by your force. (If this is different from the number of times officers from your force took DNA samples from arrested individuals, please provide this number as well and explain the reason for the difference.)**
- **3. For each calendar year since 2002, how many DNA profiles were contributed to the NDNAD of individuals that volunteered their DNA samples to your force. (If this is different from the number of times officers from your force took DNA samples from volunteers, please provide this number as well and explain the reason for the difference.)**
- **4. For each calendar year since 2002, how many requests for DNA records removals has your force received. How many individuals who had their DNA taken when arrested sent these requests, and how many individuals who volunteered their DNA sent these requests.**

- **5. For each calendar year since 2002, how many requests for DNA records removals has your force agreed to (i.e., where the Chief Officer decided "Yes - Action the removal of PNC, fingerprint and DNA records" as described in the step down model flowchart). How many were agreed for individuals who had their DNA taken when arrested; and how many were agreed for individuals who volunteered their DNA.**

I confirm that Lincolnshire Police holds this information.

Decision

I have today decided to disclose the information in full. Please find your copy of the information attached.

Complaint Right

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet, which details your right of complaint.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Lincolnshire Police.

Should you have any further inquiries concerning this matter, please write or contact me on the above telephone number quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,

Mr C. Knowles
Force Data Protection Officer

Lincolnshire Police provides you with the right to request a re-examination of your case under its review procedure (copy enclosed). If you decide to request such a review and having followed the full process you are still dissatisfied, then you have the right to direct your comments to the Information Commissioner who will give it consideration.

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Reply

1.

2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
4136	4207	5686	5808	6369	6152	5793

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The above figures relate to PACE samples taken i.e. arrestees. Volunteer samples are not included in this total as to extract that information would require a long manual search which would exceed the £450 cost for 18 hours work.

2.

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Number of PACE samples

2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
4961	5216	6984	7695	7857	7636	7283

The totals differ due to the following:

Samples taken from arrestees that already had a profiled/confirmed sample on the NDNAD.

Samples that have failed prior to loading on to the NDNAD.

Samples that were identified to have been taken from persons aged 10 and under.

3.

This would require an extensive manual search of our files which would exceed the £450 cost limit for 18 hours work.

4.

2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
5	2	0	1	0	0	0

These requests for DNA removals were all requested by the individual or the solicitor of the individual who had been arrested.

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5.

2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
**	**	**	**	**	3	19

**** - Data not available.**

2007 – 3 deletions, samples taken from persons aged 10 or under
2008 – 19 deletions, samples taken for a non-recordable offence.

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