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**REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2019/03763**

I write in connection with your request for information received on 10th June. I note you seek access to the following information:

**Grooming linked to online gaming**

**How many reports of grooming did you receive in 2008 in which the keywords Xbox, PlayStation, Fortnite or Call of Duty were mentioned?**

**How many reports of grooming did you receive in 2013 in which the keywords Xbox, PlayStation, Fortnite or Call of Duty were mentioned?**

**How many reports of grooming did you receive in 2018 in which the keywords Xbox, PlayStation, Fortnite or Call of Duty were mentioned?**

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (The Act) to handle all requests in a manner that is blind to the identity of the requestor. Any information released in response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore, in the public domain without caveat.

RESPONSE - Following enquiries conducted by Bedfordshire Police and their crime recording systems within the Force please see our response below.

2008 – 0

2013 – 0

2018 – 2

The numerical data presented in this response is an un-audited snapshot of un-published data sourced from "live" systems and is subject to the interpretation of the original request by the individual extracting the data.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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Bedfordshire Police provides you the right to request an independent review of this response under its review procedure. If you require such a review you must notify us within two months from the date of this letter. After lodging a complaint with Bedfordshire Police if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you may make an application to the Information Commissioner. For information on how to make a complaint please visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> or contact them on 0303 123 1113.