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REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2019/05284

I write in connection with your request for information received on 16th August. I note you seek access to the following information:

Back in 2013 Bedfordshire Police confirmed via an FOI response they were only applying the R v Wiles ruling to all offenders convicted post 2005.

Further to this in 2017 Bedfordshire Police confirmed via FOI request f-2017-00840 that this policy was still in place and that Bedfordshire Police only applied R v Wiles to offenders convicted post 2005.

**From both of these responses it is clear that a person who was convicted in February 2004 would not be considered to have the effects of the R v Wiles ruling applied to them by Bedfordshire Police, and would be under no obligation to register with the police under the SOA 2003 if their notification period was for 10 years and would have expired in 2014 prior to the Wiles ruling.
Could you confirm this to be correct please?**

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 Sex Offender Management Team within the Force who advise that there has been no change in our previous stance, Bedfordshire Police applied R v Wiles to all offenders convicted post 2005.

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.