



**METROPOLITAN
POLICE**

TOTAL POLICING

Freedom of Information Request Reference No:

I note you seek access to the following information:

The number of pieces of extremist or terrorist-related content removed from the internet at the request of the Counter Terrorism Internet Referral Unit for the following two periods:

1st January 2016 to 31st August 2016, 1st January 2017 to 31st August 2017.

Please also provide the following:

The number of pieces of content that were referred by the CTIRU to investigation teams to examine whether an offence may have been committed under the Terrorism Act in the period 1st January to 31st August 2017.

The total number of pieces of material removed at the instigation of the CTIRU since it was established as of 19th September 2017.

DECISION

I have today decided to disclose information in relation to Part 1 and Part 3.

With regards to Part 2, it is not possible for the CTIRU to provide an accurate number pieces of content that were referred to investigation teams. The CTIRU provide intelligence to Counter Terrorism Unit's across all forces in the UK. Details of any resulting investigations conducted by other forces is not provided to the MPS.

Therefore regrettably this information is not be held by the MPS.

DISCLOSURE

In relation to Part 1, the number of pieces of extremist or terrorist-related content removed from the internet at the request of the Counter Terrorism Internet Referral Unit for the following two periods was as follows:

1st January - 31st August 2016: **83, 784**

1st January - 31st August 2017: **43, 151**

In relation to Part 3, **299,121** pieces of material were removed at the instigation of the

CTRIU since it was established until 9th October 2017.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in the Metropolitan Police Service.

Information Rights Unit