

18th February 2016

I write following your FOI request in which you request:

Below are results compiled by open sourced FOI –

- *The highest number of murders in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was committed by the white community in the UK. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *The highest number of murders in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was committed by the white community in your area. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *The highest number of violent crime in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was committed by the white community in your area. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *The highest number of violent crimes with a dangerous weapon in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was committed by the white community in your area. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *The highest number of violent crime involving grievous bodily Harm (GBH) in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was committed by the white community in your area. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *the highest number of violent crime involving knives in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was committed by the white community in your area. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *The highest number of sexual crimes in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was committed by the white community in your area. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *The highest number of sexual crimes against women in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was committed by the white community in your area. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *The highest number of sexual crimes against children in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was committed by the white community in your area.*
- *Over 300,000 sexual crimes against children occurred in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015), committed by the white community in the UK.*
- *The highest amount of drug related crime in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was committed by the white community in your area. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *The highest number of people consuming illegal drugs in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was committed by the white community in your area. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *The highest number of people consuming illegal drugs in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was committed by the white community in the UK. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *The largest amount (in weight) of illegal drugs sold in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was by the white community in your area. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *The largest amount of illegal drugs sold in the UK in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was by the white community. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *The largest amount of illegal drugs imported into the UK in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was by the white community. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *The largest amount of illegal drugs exported to the UK in the last 5 years (December 2010 – December 2015) was by the white/Indian continent community. Yet the Black community are stopped and searched 5 to 17 times more often.*
- *Why then are Black British Christians more likely to be stopped than any other race in Britain. Even during a time of war against terror?*
- *Could it be because the Black British Christian population does not have the same wealth, lucrative investment deals, or the robust political representation to affect the status quo?*
- *Or is the British slave mentality of the 1800's so ingrained within Political, judicial and media mind, that it is unwilling to acknowledge that the self appointed superior racial grouping has a spiralling crime rate, out stripping any other race in the UK. The continued blinkered, but tried and tested use of the "inferior" black population as the sacrificial woe's of this country, is the man clinging to the belief that he will always be above the effects of the hang mans noose, even as it begins to tighten?*
- *Our greatest concern is the steady support for a body that is estimated to have 1/3 of its police force in England and Wales belonging to right wing/nationalist extreme parties or groups, but are able to perform their duties without bias regardless of their extreme views/beliefs; unlike other extreme groups that the force deem dangerous.*

Do the commissioners support the abilities of those police officers who belong to such groups, and should they be allowed to continue in such a roll considering the diverse society we now live in?

- *The message that the police force in England and Wales is sending out to white criminals is – if you have a number of Black British people living in your area, you are up to 17 times more likely to get away with criminal acts due to the mindset of the police force and the Commissioners who continue to endorse racial implicit/explicit basis profiling.*
- *The sums no longer add up. We want a full explanation for this discrepancy and what real changes regarding stop and search of black British citizens and what immediate action are going to be taken tackling the higher number of crime committed within the white community?*

This request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Regarding your request I can now inform you that I have completed my enquiries and that my reply on behalf of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland is as follows.

I am refusing your request under Section 8(1)(c) as you do not describe the information requested.

Section 8 of the FOIA states;

8 Request for information.

(1) In this Act any reference to a "request for information" is a reference to such a request which—

(a) is in writing,

(b) states the name of the applicant and an address for correspondence, and

(c) describes the information requested.

S16 of the FOIA places a duty upon me to try and assist you in accessing the information you seek. To that end may I respectfully suggest that you contact Cleveland Police on <https://www.cleveland.police.uk/advice-information/foi.aspx> who may be able to assist you.

I can confirm that the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland has a FOI complaints procedure.

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review by writing to: Mr Simon Dennis, Solicitor, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland, Police Headquarters, Ladgate Lane, Middlesbrough, TS8 9EH or you can follow the complaints procedure found on our website at: www.cleveland.pcc.police.uk

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Telephone: 08456 30 60 60 or 01625 54 57 45 Website: www.ico.gov.uk

There is no charge for making an appeal.

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