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Dear Ms Marsh

Re: Freedom of Information Act Application

I refer to your application made pursuant to the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 1991 in which access was sought to the following information:

"Each data request is for respective data on each year, for the years 2008 - 2018 in South Australia

**Recorded status/outcomes means: insufficient evidence/unfounded, arrest, summons, other outcome with court appearance, intent to summons, caution/warning, complaint withdrawn by victim, complaint withdrawn by police, no offence disclosed, unsolved, conviction, charges/no charges laid, rejected or equivalent clearly defined categories.*

** We don't require any data that is identifying. We believe this information is in public interest.*

1. The recorded police status/outcome of each of all types of reported sexual assaults committed against persons 16 years and over. Also can you please outline the other categories (besides insufficient evidence and unfounded) that are used to record the reasons sexual assault reports do not progress past reporting phase and to charges from 2008 - 2018 for victims aged 16 and over.*

2. The recorded police status/outcome of each of all types of reported indecent assaults committed against persons 16 years and over.*

3. The recorded police status/outcome of each of all types of reported other sexual offences committed against persons 16 years and over.*

4. The recorded police status/outcome of common assault cases committed against persons 16 years and over.*

5. The recorded police status/outcome of serious assault cases committed against persons 16 years and over.*

6. The recorded location (Northern, Southern, Western, Eastern regions) of reports of rape, and their outcomes/status committed against persons 16 years and over.*

7. The recorded location (Northern, Southern, Western, Eastern regions) of reports of indecent assault, and their status/outcome committed against persons 16 years and over.*

8. The recorded location (Northern, Southern, Western, Eastern regions) of reports of other sexual offences assault, and their outcomes/status committed against persons 16 years and over."*



In relation to this part of your request:

1. "The recorded police status/outcome* of each of all types of reported sexual assaults committed against persons 16 years and over. Also can you please outline the other categories (besides insufficient evidence and unfounded) that are used to record the reasons sexual assault reports do not progress past reporting phase and to charges from 2008 - 2018 for victims aged 16 and over."

It is determined to **release in full** a list of status and outcome of reported sexual assaults committed against persons 16 years and over. This data is presented in the table below and was accurate as of 30 May 2019.

SEXUAL ASSAULTS Recorded Police Status/Outcome

1. Sexual Assaults	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
ACCUSED DIED	-	1	2	-	3	1	4	1	2	-	-	14
ARREST	168	232	231	227	221	170	203	203	206	208	196	2,265
ARREST AND APPLICATION	-	-	1	4	19	19	30	36	46	63	30	248
CAUTION	1	2	4	4	5	5	4	6	3	2	3	39
COMPLAINANT DIED	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	3
EXPIATION	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
FILED AFTER INVESTIGATION	186	188	215	188	180	192	196	191	198	218	149	2,101
FILED NOT CLEARED	52	45	49	30	38	52	35	34	31	33	28	427
FILED SUSPECT FLAGGED	1	2	4	3	3	1	2	1	1	3	5	26
NO FURTHER ACTION	193	223	175	180	178	208	210	206	205	230	183	2,191
NOT CLEARED	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	2	10	112	129
OTHER	3	3	4	7	3	3	3	4	5	5	3	43
REPORT	47	51	34	49	39	51	48	60	61	60	39	539
REPORT AND APPLICATION	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	5	2	1	2	13
WARRANT	1	1	-	4	1	1	1	4	4	5	2	24
Total	653	748	720	697	692	706	736	754	766	839	752	8,063

In relation to this part of your request:

"2. The recorded police status/outcome of each of all types of reported indecent assaults committed against persons 16 years and over."*

It is determined to **release in full** a list of status and outcomes of indecent assaults reported against persons 16 years and over. This data is presented in the table below and was accurate as of 30 May 2019.

INDECENT ASSAULTS Recorded Police Status/Outcome

2. Indecent Assaults	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
ACCUSED DIED	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	4
ARREST	61	110	91	75	85	62	90	89	69	87	82	901
ARREST AND APPLICATION	-	-	-	1	3	1	4	5	4	15	5	38
CAUTION	1	2	3	4	5	4	4	6	3	2	3	37
COMPLAINANT DIED	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
EXPIATION	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
FILED AFTER INVESTIGATION	77	90	99	92	77	76	91	87	90	95	69	943
FILED NOT CLEARED	29	22	15	11	20	22	11	14	15	16	13	188
FILED SUSPECT FLAGGED	-	1	3	2	2	1	2	-	-	3	4	18
NO FURTHER ACTION	65	86	71	66	67	80	94	81	78	92	77	857
NOT CLEARED	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	34	37
OTHER	1	2	1	2	3	1	1	1	2	1	-	15
REPORT	31	30	18	28	27	31	28	44	38	37	33	345
REPORT AND APPLICATION	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	4
WARRANT	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	2	1	1	8
Total	266	343	302	282	291	279	326	332	302	352	322	3,397

In relation to this part of your request:

"3. The recorded police status/outcome of each of all types of reported other sexual offences committed against persons 16 years and over."*

It is determined to **release in full** a list of status and outcomes of other sexual assaults reported against persons 16 years and over. This data is presented in the table below and was accurate as of 30 May 2019.

OTHER SEXUAL ASSAULTS Recorded Police Status/Outcome

3. Other Sexual Assaults	2009	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
ARREST	2	1	2	1	-	1	1	-	8
FILED AFTER INVESTIGATION	1	1	1	-	1	2	1	-	7
FILED NOT CLEARED	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
NO FURTHER ACTION	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	4
REPORT	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Total	3	3	4	1	2	5	2	1	21

In relation to this part of your request:

"4. The recorded police status/outcome of common assault cases committed against persons 16 years and over."*

It is determined to **release in full** a list of status and outcomes of other assaults reported against persons 16 years and over. This data is presented in the table below and was accurate as of 30 May 2019.

COMMON ASSAULT Recorded Police Status/Outcome

4. Common Assault	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
ACCUSED DIED	-	4	3	1	3	2	-	-	4	3	-	20
ARREST	1,893	1,916	1,916	1,930	1,654	1,578	1,537	1,640	1,554	1,458	1,275	18,351
ARREST AND APPLICATION	-	-	-	9	101	121	201	358	349	340	310	1,789
CAUTION	47	69	113	127	163	94	81	118	132	186	149	1,279
CLEARED BY APPLICATION	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
COMPLAINANT DIED	1	1	1	5	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	11
EXPIATION	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	3	8	1	16
FILED AFTER INVESTIGATION	1,316	1,260	1,192	1,140	1,061	1,060	1,102	1,165	1,169	1,153	850	12,468
FILED NOT CLEARED	861	743	604	547	498	451	406	418	476	423	427	5,854
FILED SUSPECT FLAGGED	38	50	29	26	31	33	21	22	23	59	55	387
LAPSED	6	9	13	12	8	2	9	5	1	-	1	66
LOST PROPERTY	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2
NO FURTHER ACTION	2,305	2,175	2,062	2,008	1,784	1,974	1,939	1,898	1,742	1,822	1,444	21,153
NOT CLEARED	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	218	225
OTHER	21	16	9	19	18	5	6	14	21	13	15	157
REPORT	863	802	882	914	824	770	780	782	721	721	566	8,625
REPORT AND APPLICATION	-	-	1	2	18	18	22	22	36	42	38	199
WARRANT	6	10	14	11	8	7	3	7	14	10	8	98
Total	7,357	7,055	6,839	6,752	6,171	6,117	6,111	6,450	6,247	6,245	5,357	70,701

In relation to this part of your request:

"5. The recorded police status/outcome of serious assault cases committed against persons 16 years and over."*

It is determined to **release in full** a list of status and outcomes of serious assaults reported against persons 16 years and over. This data is presented in the table below and was accurate as of 30 May 2019.

SERIOUS ASSAULT Recorded Police Status/Outcome

5. Serious Assault	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
ACCUSED DIED	4	3	3	4	5	2	3	2	7	2	-	35
ARREST	3,300	3,357	3,233	3,352	2,589	2,312	2,679	2,964	2,853	2,530	2,278	31,447
ARREST AND APPLICATION	-	2	2	82	659	662	1,153	1,526	1,378	1,192	1,001	7,657
CAUTION	17	30	45	64	64	35	36	45	77	45	35	493
CLEARED BY APPLICATION	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2
COMPLAINANT DIED	2	1	-	4	2	1	1	1	3	2	-	17
EXPIATION	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	-	1	5
FILED AFTER INVESTIGATION	1,279	1,266	1,092	1,090	1,104	1,185	1,220	1,384	1,280	1,305	937	13,142
FILED NOT CLEARED	529	443	395	394	382	546	461	432	507	480	466	5,035
FILED SUSPECT FLAGGED	22	27	16	21	20	14	11	14	26	44	65	280
LAPSED	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2
NO FURTHER ACTION	1,417	1,448	1,399	1,562	1,566	1,750	1,670	1,625	1,587	1,491	1,259	16,774
NOT CLEARED	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	9	221	232
OTHER	21	15	15	15	21	18	33	33	30	16	17	234
REPORT	507	458	497	511	519	454	514	551	576	549	426	5,562
REPORT AND APPLICATION	-	-	-	11	47	49	49	77	117	110	96	556
WARRANT	4	8	17	22	7	2	17	21	28	27	15	168
Total	7,104	7,058	6,714	7,132	6,986	7,032	7,847	8,679	8,470	7,802	6,817	81,641

In relation to this part of your request:

"6. The recorded location (Northern, Southern, Western, Eastern regions) of reports of rape, and their outcomes/status committed against persons 16 years and over."*

It is determined to **release in full** a list of the recorded location (Northern, Southern, Western, Eastern Districts) of reports of rape, and their outcomes/status* committed against persons 16 years and over for the period 2008 to 2018. This data is presented in the table below and was accurate as of 30 May 2019.

RAPE Recorded Police Status/Outcome by District

6. Rape	EASTERN DISTRICT	NORTHERN DISTRICT	SOUTHERN DISTRICT	WESTERN DISTRICT	Total
ACCUSED DIED	2	1	-	-	3
ARREST	275	261	195	239	970
ARREST AND APPLICATION	36	46	36	31	149
CAUTION	-	-	1	1	2
COMPLAINANT DIED	-	-	-	1	1
FILED AFTER INVESTIGATION	275	194	220	211	900
FILED NOT CLEARED	61	34	41	40	176
FILED SUSPECT FLAGGED	2	-	1	3	6
NO FURTHER ACTION	279	174	264	220	937
NOT CLEARED	17	10	27	11	65
OTHER	13	2	2	3	20
REPORT	43	26	40	19	128
REPORT AND APPLICATION	1	3	1	1	6
WARRANT	1	4	4	2	11
Total	1,005	755	832	782	3,374

In relation to this part of your request:

"7. The recorded location (Northern, Southern, Western, Eastern regions) of reports of indecent assault, and their status/outcome committed against persons 16 years and over."*

It is determined to **release in full** a list of the recorded location (Northern, Southern, Western, Eastern Districts) of reports of indecent assault, and their outcomes/status committed against persons 16 years and over for the period 2008 to 2018. This data is presented in the table below and was accurate as of 30 May 2019.

INDECENT ASSAULT Recorded Police Status/Outcome by District

7. Indecent Assault	EASTERN DISTRICT	NORTHERN DISTRICT	SOUTHERN DISTRICT	WESTERN DISTRICT	Total
ACCUSED DIED	1	-	1	1	3
ARREST	283	146	119	151	699
ARREST AND APPLICATION	8	3	6	10	27
CAUTION	7	3	17	5	32
COMPLAINANT DIED	1	-	-	-	1
EXPIATION	1	-	-	-	1
FILED AFTER INVESTIGATION	266	179	170	190	805
FILED NOT CLEARED	47	24	47	39	157
FILED SUSPECT FLAGGED	5	4	2	5	16
NO FURTHER ACTION	201	106	181	175	663
NOT CLEARED	12	3	7	8	30
OTHER	6	-	4	3	13
REPORT	88	51	42	65	246
REPORT AND APPLICATION	1	2	-	1	4
WARRANT	1	2	2	-	5
Total	928	523	598	653	2,702

In relation to this part of your request:

"8. The recorded location (Northern, Southern, Western, Eastern regions) of reports of other sexual offences assault, and their outcomes/status committed against persons 16 years and over."*

It is determined to **release in full** a list of the recorded location (Northern, Southern, Western, Eastern Districts) of reports of other sexual assault, and their outcomes/status committed against persons 16 years and over for the period 2008 to 2018. This data is presented in the table below and was accurate as of 30 May 2019.

OTHER SEXUAL OFFENCES Recorded Police Status/Outcome by District

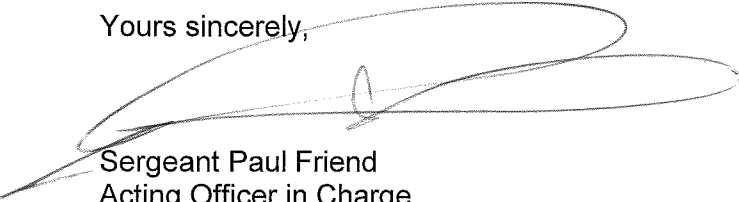
8. Other Sexual Offences	EASTERN DISTRICT	NORTHERN DISTRICT	SOUTHERN DISTRICT	WESTERN DISTRICT	Total
ARREST	-	1	3	3	7
FILED AFTER INVESTIGATION	1	-	2	-	3
NO FURTHER ACTION	3	-	1	-	4
REPORT	-	1	-	-	1
Total	4	2	6	3	15

In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, details of your FOI application, and the documents to which you are given access, will be published on the SAPOL website Disclosure Log. A copy of PC045 can be found at <http://dpc.sa.gov.au/what-we-do/services-for-government/premier-and-cabinet-circulars>. If you disagree with publication, please advise the undersigned in writing by 15 July 2019

Your rights to review

If you are dissatisfied with the determination for access to SAPOL records, you are entitled to exercise your right of internal review in accordance with section 29(1) of the FOI Act by completing a PD362 Application for Internal Review form which can be downloaded from <https://www.police.sa.gov.au/services-and-events/freedom-of-information> or available upon request at your nearest police station. Alternatively an application may be made in writing to the SAPOL Freedom of Information Unit. This application must be lodged within 30 days from the date of this determination with a fee of \$35.00. Such a fee may be waived in the event of an exemption being claimed.

Yours sincerely,



Sergeant Paul Friend
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Freedom of Information Unit
(Accredited Freedom of Information Officer)

4th June 2019