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**Freedom of Information Request Reference N°: FOI 001394/17**

I write in connection with your request for information received by the Norfolk Constabulary on the 26<sup>th</sup> January 2017 in which you sought access to the following information:

- 1 For the months of November and December 2016 how many crimes were logged by your force where a machete was recorded as being an element in the offence? [Note: I would hope that this could be achieved by a computer search on the MO of crimes for the words "machete" or variants of the spelling to include "machette" and "machetes".
- 2 Please provide me with a table showing a breakdown of the crimes from Q.1 that are 'linked' to machete/s by its mention in the MO.
- 3 Taking the month of December 2016 please provide me with copies of the first 5 MOs that mention machetes. [Note: To avoid falling into an exemption I am content for names, ages, geography or any other personal detail to be redacted].

Norfolk Constabulary holds information relevant to your request.

**Response to your Request**

Norfolk Constabulary has located the following information as relevant to your request.

Q1 In December 2016 Norfolk Constabulary recorded 2 crimes where the MO includes the word 'machete'.

Q2 The two offences were:-

Threaten with an offensive weapon in a public place
Wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm (Indictable)

Q3 The Initial MOs are:-

suspect has made a threat whilst in possession of a machete
victim has a knife wound to the crown of his head, suspect allegedly struck victim with a machete