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Dear Mr Christopher Stacey

Re: Freedom of Information request – 53305

Thank you for your email of 11 April, in which you ask for the number of EU nationals removed from the UK.

You specifically asked:

1. The number of EU FNOs that have been removed from the UK in the last 5 years and whose last recorded prison sentence was less than 12 months.
2. The number of EU FNOs that have been removed from the UK in the last 5 years and whose last recorded prison sentence was 12 months and over, but less than 4 years.
3. The number of EU FNOs that have been removed from the UK in the last 5 years and whose last recorded prison sentence was 4 years or more.

Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Firstly, I would like to apologise on behalf of the department for the delay in responding to your request.

I am able to disclose the following information set out in the enclosed Annex.

If you are dissatisfied with this response you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to foirequests@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk, quoting reference **53305**.

If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response. As part of any internal review the Department's handling of your information request would be reassessed by staff who were not involved in providing you with this response.

If you were to remain dissatisfied after an internal review, you would have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the FOIA.

Yours sincerely

Immigration Enforcement Secretariat

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Annex - Freedom of Information request from Christopher Stacey - 53305

The questions are as follows:

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Disclosed information

The following table provides a breakdown of the last recorded custodial sentence length of EU FNOs removed in the past 5 years. Under the Immigration (European Economic Area) Regulations 2016, an EEA national or their non-EEA family member can be removed from the UK if they do not have or cease to have a right to reside in the UK; if their removal is justified on grounds of public policy or public security or, if their removal is justified on grounds that is a misuse of a right to reside.

Removal Year	Latest Sentence Length		
	Under 12 months	Between 12 months and 4 years	4 + years
2014	1,008	1,005	415
2015	930	1,412	668
2016	1,190	1,532	903
2017	1,042	1,415	804
2018	1,096	1,165	718
Total	5,266	6,529	3,508

(1) These statistics have been taken from a live operational database. As such, numbers may change as information on that system is updated.

(2) Data extracted on 17/04/2019.

(3) Data relates to all FNO Removals between 01/01/2013 and 31/12/2018.

(4) There are no sentence details in published stats, therefore data has been taken from internal management information and will not match published statistics.

(5) Sentence details are as of the last sentence recorded against the FNO on the case management system however some cases could have had previous convictions of a greater or lesser sentence length.