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Dear Paul,

Thank you for your e-mail of 31st October 2018, in which you request information about Channel and Prevent referrals.

You asked specifically:

I saw in an article in the Guardian dated 27th Marh 2018 that 16% of referrals to the anti-extremist 'prevent' programme were for what are classified as 'far right' extremists.

https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2018/mar/27/far-right-referrals-prevent-programme-up-by-more-than-a-quarter-counter-extremism

I would like to know the details of all the categories you use to group those who are referred to 'prevent' programmes, and the break down of how the other 84% of referrals were classified in this specific case.

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

Categories used to breakdown referrals, and classifications from April 2016 to March 2017:

Islamist Extremism: 61%Right Wing Extremism: 16%Other forms of Extremism: 12%

- Unspecified: 11%

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 **50850.** 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 will be reassessed by staff who were not involved in providing you with this response. If you remain dissatisfied after this internal review, you would have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act.



Yours sincerely

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