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Dear Mr Innes

I write in response to the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request submitted on 07/12/2017. Thames Valley Police has now considered this request, which for clarity, has been repeated below:

<u>Request</u>	<u>Response</u>
Could you please provide me with the number of Islamophobic hate crimes reported between 1st January 2015 and 30th November 2017 broken down by the day they were reported.	<p>This request is being refused under Section 12(1) of the FOIA.</p> <p>Section 12 of the FOIA allows that public authorities do not have to comply with section 1(1) of the Act if the cost of complying would exceed the appropriate limit. In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, this letter represents a Refusal Notice for this request.</p> <p>This information is not held in an easily retrievable format. In order to provide accurate data, we would be required to manually review every Hate Crime reported during the time frame specified, to establish if it falls within the scope of this request, namely the indication of it being an 'Islamophobic hate crime'. As there have been hundreds of Hate Crimes recorded, this will exceed the appropriate 18 hour time and £450 cost limit.</p>



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	<p>Section 16:- Further advice & assistance From April 2016 a qualifier identifying 'Faith Religion - Muslim Victim' was introduced, therefore, you may wish to broaden your request to the number of records with this qualifier attached.</p>
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Complaint Rights

If you are dissatisfied with the handling procedures or the decision made by Thames Valley Police, you can lodge a complaint with the force to have the decision reviewed within two months of the date of this response. Complaints should be made in writing to the FOI inbox; publicaccess@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk.

If, after lodging a complaint with Thames Valley Police, you are still unhappy with the outcome, you may make application to the Information Commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours sincerely

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