

17<sup>th</sup> August 2020

**Freedom of Information Request - Reference No: 20201678**

**REQUEST**

**Please provide the following information about your force's use of mobile biometric technology for the periods between April 2019 and the end of March 2020; if you do not hold this information for the whole length of the period stated above, please provide it for the period starting from the date you began recording the information:**

- 1. The number of times the mobile biometrics devices were used.**
- 2. The following information about each search: which database was searched (Police [IDENT1] or Immigration [IABS]) or both), date, reason for fingerprinting, officer defined ethnicity, self defined ethnicity, PNC search location, response (i.e. whether the search returned a record. If so, please specify which database the record was returned from).**
- 3. How many times was Command & Control contacted following a search.**

**If your force does not currently use mobile biometric scanners, please state if there are plans to adopt the use of the devices, and if yes on what date.**

**RESPONSE**

I approached our Operational Support Unit for assistance with your request. They have advised we do not currently have the mobile fingerprint devices in the force at this time and have not had them during the above time period.

They have also advised that we are in the process of acquiring the software to be able to do this but we are not able to provide a specific date when this may come in to use.

Therefore, in this instance our response is one of "No Information Held"