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Public Prosecution Service
Belfast Chambers
93 Chichester Street
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FOI 351/24-25

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I refer to your email dated 14th October 2024 in which you requested information in relation to prosecutions since 1 January 1999 until 14 October 2024 under section 1 of the Criminal Jurisdiction Act 1975. Your request has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Freedom of Information Act 2000

The Freedom of Information Act creates rights of access for any person making a request for information to a public authority. The rights of access are twofold. First, to be informed by the public authority if it holds information of the description specified in the request, and if that is the case, secondly, to be provided with that information. These rights are subject to important limitations, which are designed to achieve a proper balance between the right to know and considerations of law and policy in the broader public interest.

You had asked the following:

“The number of prosecutions in all courts in Northern Ireland, since 1 January 1999 until 14 October 2024, under section 1 of the Criminal Jurisdiction Act 1975”

In response, please be advised that a decision was issued to prosecute in 4 cases (including 6 suspects) under “Common Law and section 1 of the Criminal Jurisdiction Act 1975” legislation during the period 1 January 1999 until 14 October 2024.

If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review in accordance with our review procedure. You should do this as soon as possible or in any case within two months of the date of this response and you can do so by writing to the Head of Policy and Information, Public Prosecution Service, Belfast Chambers, 93 Chichester Street, BELFAST, BT1 3JR

or alternatively by sending an e-mail to info@ppsni.gov.uk. You should state the grounds on which you are requesting the review.

Alternatively, you may wish to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely,

Information Management Team
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