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Dear [REDACTED]

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information request (ref: FOI\_18-089)**

We have now considered your request of 15 April 2018, as clarified on 08 May, for information relating to alleged racist and religiously-motivated hate incidents within UEA in the past three years.

Our response is on pages 2-3 of this letter, together with a copy of your request.

We hope this information will meet your requirements, however if you are not satisfied you have the right of appeal. If you wish to appeal, please set out in writing your reasons for appealing and send to the above address. You must appeal within 60 calendar days of the date of this letter. Any appeal received after that date will not be considered nor acknowledged. This policy has been reviewed and approved by the Information Commissioner's Office.

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Yours sincerely

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## Response to Freedom of Information Act 2000 request (FOI\_18-089)

*I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information:*

- 1. The number of alleged racist incidents reported to the university over the past 3 years*
- 2. The number of alleged religiously-motivated hate incidents reported to the university over the past 3 years [and please can you could break these down by whether the incidents were anti-Semitic or Islamophobic]*
- 3. I would like a monthly breakdown of the data for January to December 2017 - and the two calendar years preceding this [2015 and 2016]*

*[Clarified on 08 May to limit request to incidents that were formally reported to the University]*

Our response is within the table below. Please note that our responses are drawn from a variety of departments/sources within the University. These include disciplinary records within our Human Resources Division (HRD), incident reports held by our Security Service, referrals to the Senate Student Disciplinary Committee held by our Learning and Teaching Service (LTS), and data held within Student Support Services (SSS), which comprise both appointment data with SSS staff and reports from Senior Residents / Wardens within student accommodation.

It should be noted that the data held by the Security Services simply represents the number of incident reports that contain keywords relating to racism or religion, which would indicate that this was an element of the incident. It should not, however, be taken as an indication that either racism or religion was the focus of the incident.

Similarly, figures provided by the Student Support Services are based on a code category 'Victim of racist incident/racial abuse' which can apply to both appointments with SSS staff and incidents reported by Senior Residents / Wardens. In relation to appointment records, it should be noted that the incident or abuse may be either current or historic. Please also note that our SSS records do not include a code to identify religiously-motivated hate incidents.

Year	Month	Racist Incidents	Religiously Motivated Incidents	
			Anti-Semitic	Islamophobic
2015	January	0	0	0
	February	0	0	0
	March	0	0	0
	April	1	0	0
	May	1	0	0
	June	0	0	0
	July	0	0	0
	August	2	0	0
	September	0	0	0
	October	1	0	0
	November	1	0	0
	December	0	0	0
2016	January	1	0	0
	February	1	0	0

	March	1	0	0
	April	1	0	0
	May	0	0	0
	June	2	0	0
	July	0	0	0
	August	0	0	0
	September	0	0	0
	October	1	0	0
	November	2	0	0
	December	0	0	0
2017	January	1	0	0
	February	0	0	0
	March	1	0	0
	April	0	0	0
	May	1	0	0
	June	0	0	0
	July	0	0	0
	August	0	0	0
	September	1	0	0
	October	0	0	0
	November	0	0	0
	December	1	0	0
TOTAL		20	0	0