Annex A

Request and response

1) The number of reports of food crime recorded on the Food Crime Intelligence database from 1 August 2015 to 1 April 2019 (broken down by year), in the following categories only: animal welfare, dairy products, eggs and egg products, fish and shellfish, livestock, meat and meat products.

Between 01/08/2015 and 01/04/2019 there were 2130 reports from various sources that have been classified as food crime and recorded on the Food Crime Intelligence database. These are broken down by year:

- 01/08/2015 to 31/12/2015: 185 reports
- 01/01/2016 to 31/12/2016: 559 reports
- 01/01/2017 to 31/12/2017: 579 reports
- 01/01/2018 to 31/12/2018: 606 reports
- 01/01/2019 to 01/04/2019: 201 reports

The National Food Crime Unit receives intelligence reports from a variety of sources which are indexed against our seven identified techniques of food crime. Reports do not necessarily equal offences and multiple reports may be received for one incident.

For each report I would like to know all of the following:

2) The category (e.g. animal welfare, dairy products, etc.)

This has been provided on spreadsheet Annex C.

3) The technique of food crime from the 7 techniques listed on your website (e.g. theft, unlawful processing, waste diversion, etc.)

This has been provided on spreadsheet Annex C for 2018 and 2019, where available. There may be some instances where food crime technique has not been recorded for 2018 and 2019, e.g. if the crime technique has not yet been determined from the information currently available. Reports prior to 2018 were not categorised by food crime technique so only the description is provided.

4) A description of the wrongdoing, not disclosing personal or identifying details (e.g. for “unlawful processing” this could be “incorrect repackaging / relabelling of red meat”, or for “waste diversion” this could be “incorrect disposal of food waste”, etc.)

This has been provided on spreadsheet Annex C.
5) The type of source of the report (e.g. local authority, regional liaison group, govt department, etc.)

This information is being withheld under section 30 (Investigations and proceedings) and section 31 (Law enforcement) of the Act. Further details about our use of these exemptions is provided at Annex B.

6) The name of the source, where you can disclose (i.e., the name of the local authority or govt department)

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7) The outcome of the NFCU investigation, if you can disclose (e.g. handed to police)

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