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I refer to your e-mail dated 1 March 2024 in which you asked for information regarding recommendations made in files submitted to the PPS by Operation Kenova. 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 asked the following:

“Regarding the files submitted by the Operation Kenova team, please tell me how many contained a recommendation for prosecution. This is a FOI request”.

In response please be advised that the files submitted to PPS by Operation Kenova did not contain any recommendations in relation to any suspects reported.

The basis upon which the decisions were taken has been explained in detail in four PPS public statements which have been published on our website, see link attached for your convenience [Kenova Statements](#).

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

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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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