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Dear

Gloucestershire Constabulary Freedom of Information request FOI_26_0770

On 13/08/2026 you sent an email constituting a request under the Freedom of Information Act asking the following:

REQUEST 1:

What would you like to know?: What system or process do you use for classifying a missing person's ethnicity and nationality?

What would you like to know?: How is a missing person's ethnicity and nationality determined?

REQUEST 3:

What would you like to know?: How many Vietnamese adults have been recorded as missing and not found since 2022?

Dates can be calendar or financial years

REQUEST 4:

What would you like to know?: How many Vietnamese adults have been recorded as missing and subsequently found since 2022?

REQUEST 5:

What would you like to know?: How many missing people currently on your recording system have an unspecified nationality?

REQUEST 6:

What would you like to know?: How many missing people currently on your recording system have an unspecified ethnicity?

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 s1, I can confirm that Gloucestershire Constabulary holds some relevant information.

Following receipt of your request, a Gloucestershire Constabulary subject matter expert (SME) conducted a search for the information you requested. The relevant and recorded information can be found below.

Request 1

Ethnicity is recorded based on ETHNICITY (OFFICER DEFINED) or SELF-DEFINED ETHNICITY. Since February 2026, this has been recorded directly within the person's record in the Constabulary's Core Records Management System (RMS) each time they are recorded missing. Nationality is recorded against the person's record in the Core RMS and is not separately recorded in a missing person report. It is not split between officer/self-defined. Prior to February 2026, a different recording system was used to record missing persons reports, but the process was similar.

Request 2

Ethnicity is recorded based on ETHNICITY (OFFICER DEFINED) or SELF-DEFINED ETHNICITY. Nationality would usually be determined based on a disclosure from the person.

Request 3

One

Request 4

One

Request 5

At the time of writing there are 12 persons with a status of "missing" for which no nationality is recorded.

Request 6

At the time of writing there are 4 persons with a status of "missing" for which no ethnicity is recorded.

If you are not satisfied with this response or any actions taken in dealing with your request, you have the right to ask that we review your case under our internal procedure. Please note that a request for an internal review must be made within 20 working days of the response to your original request.

If you decide to request that such a review is undertaken and following this process you are still unsatisfied, you then have the right to direct your complaint to the Information Commissioner for consideration.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted via the following means:

Website - <https://ico.org.uk/>

Call their helpline - 0303 123 1113

Email - casework@ico.org.uk

Post – Information Commissioner's Office
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Yours sincerely,

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