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Freedom of Information Officer

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Ref: FOI/March 2018/ Samantha Robson

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Dear Ms Robson

Your request for information received on 21 March 2018 has been dealt with under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

You asked:

My name is Samantha Robson and I am the VP: Welfare and Equalities for London South Bank University Students' Union and I would like some information around your drugs policy involving student's in Halls of Residences and their disciplinaries.

I am hoping to do some bench-marking research and would appreciate it if you could answer the questions outlined below. The use of this information will be purely internal and not for media or publication purposes.

- 1) How many disciplinaries have you had around Class C Cannabis use?
- 2) How many of these disciplinaries have resulted in exclusion from Halls?
- 3) How many students/bed-spaces do you have available in your Halls?
- 4) What is the normal/average response to personal Cannabis use in Halls?
- 5) A copy of your institutional Drugs Policy

University Response

1) We do not record cannabis use as a distinct category within our Student Conduct and Discipline procedures so we do not hold the data you have requested. The use of cannabis would fall under the general category of Antisocial Behaviour within a Hall of Residence but that can cover a large degree of inconsiderate, nuisance or even offensive/disruptive behaviour.

2) See above.

3) We currently have 1415 rooms in 5 halls of residence.

4) Each case would be considered on its own merits and an appropriate outcome would be reached in line with University Student Conduct and Discipline procedures.

5) Middlesex University does not have an *institutional Drugs Policy*.

I trust this satisfies your request sufficiently. Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, you have the right to complain about the University's response to your request for information. If you have such a complaint, you may contact Mrs Teresa Kelly, Clerk to the Board of Governors, Middlesex University, Hendon campus, London NW4 4BT, tel: 020 8411 6018, t.kelly@mdx.ac.uk within 40 days of the date of this letter for a review of the University's decision. If you remain unsatisfied with the outcome of that complaint, you may seek further recourse by lodging an appeal with the Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

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