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Freedom of Information Officer

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Dear Mr Gilson

Your request for information received on 15 January 2019 has been dealt with under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

You asked:

I am carrying out a research project looking into hate crimes students have experienced on and around university campuses across the nation.

Would you be able to provide a list of how many times your students have approached the university through means like 'Student Services' over the last 3 years regarding an incident of hate crime.

The definition of a hate crime is: Crimes committed against someone because of their disability, transgender-identity, race, religion or belief, or sexual orientation and should be reported to the police.

We are also looking to find out the type of hate crime that has been recorded and the environment in which it happened? (E.g. disability/ race and student halls or private accommodation?). When providing this information please note, if you have more than one campus, which campus the incident occurred on and the time and date of the incident.

Please may you also give a list of how many occasions police have been contacted by the university to respond to a report of a hate crime and details of the incident that was reported.

University Response

We do not have a reporting category, either through our Cause for Concern procedure or our Student Conduct and Discipline rules that defines a 'hate crime' or how we would record it so we do not hold the information you have requested.

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 Mr David Maplas, Director of Student Affairs, Middlesex University, Hendon campus, London NW4 4BT, tel: 020 8411 5830, d.malpas@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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