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Down Lord Morrows,

To ask the Minister of Justice (i) how many people are currently on the Sex Offenders Register; (ii) how many of these people are juveniles; and (iii) how many are on the register for life, broken down by constituency. 6420/10

The above mentioned question was placed before the Minister for Justice, who has deemed that this is an operational matter for the Police Service of Northern Ireland. Therefore the Chief Constable has been asked to respond directly.

At present there are 937 persons who are subject to the notification requirements of Part 2 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003.

- There are no juveniles.
- There are 339 persons in the province who are subject to these notification requirements for an indefinite period and a further 148 in prison who will be subject to the same notification requirements on their release from prison.
- It is not possible for me to break these numbers down into constituencies or districts as the computer systems are not set up to allow me to do this. There has never been an operational need for police to record information in this way.

Please be advised that a copy of this letter will be placed in the Library of the Northern Ireland Assembly. If you have any queries regarding this response, please address your correspondence to Command Secretariat, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, Northern Ireland BT5 6LE.

I trust this is of assistance.

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