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Dear Philip,

## FOLLOW UP TO WRITTEN QUESTIONS - PQ 78583 and 187182

I am writing to you following your written questions PQ 78583 and 187182 (Annex A) which you submitted in July 2020 and April 2021 respectively, in which you asked the Secretary of State for Justice for statistics regarding the previous convictions of those who were convicted of the offence of assaulting an emergency worker. The Ministry of Justice was unable to obtain the relevant statistics from the Police National Computer (PNC) at that time. The PNC can only be accessed on site, which was not possible due to restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic. My officials are now working to clear the backlog relating to the PNC. I apologise for the delay in fully responding to your questions.

I can now provide the data which you have requested, and have included it in the table attached. The table shows the number of offenders convicted of assaulting an emergency worker as of March 2020 by number of previous offences in England and Wales.

I am placing a copy of this letter and attached table in the House library.

Yours sincerely,

**JAMES CARTLIDGE MP** 

## Annex A

To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, how many people convicted of assaulting an emergency worker since the offence was introduced had previously committed (a) zero, (b) between one and four, (c) between five and nine, (d) between 10 and 15, (e) between 16 and 25, (f) between 26 and 50, (g) between 51 and 75, (h) between 76 and 100, (i) between 101 and 150, (j) between 151 and 200 and (k) over 200 offences. 78583

To ask the Secretary of State for Just pursuant to the Answer of 7 September 2020 to Question 78583 on Emergency Services: Crimes of 8 Violet when he plans to write to the hon. Member for Shipley to supply that information. 187182