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NON-LEA OVERVIEW OF LIVE MODERN SLAVERY INVESTIGATIONS (MSID) IN UK POLICING

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Data & Confidence:

This update provides a monthly overview of live police investigations being undertaken by police/ ROCUs across the UK, including PSNI and Police Scotland. This only includes those investigations that the Modern Slavery Insight Team have been made aware of via upload to PND. This report is based on data correct as of the 7th November 2022. ***Please note that we have now removed those investigations from our reporting, which have not been updated since PND DDE 'go live in Nov 2020. For this reason, there has been an overall drop in investigations. ***

Police Operational Information Summary:

- There are currently at least 3495 live Modern Slavery police investigations being undertaken across the UK. There are active investigations across all policing regions.
- In spite of some divergence, there remains a strong correlation between suspect and potential victim nationalities,

Sexual Exploitation: 575 (16%) investigations primarily tackle sexual exploitation. **614** investigations identify sexual exploitation at a primary level or otherwise.

Criminal Exploitation: 2109 (60%) investigations primarily tackle criminal exploitation (county lines/cannabis cultivation/fraud/theft). **2152** investigations identify criminal as an exploitation type, at a primary level or otherwise.

Labour Exploitation: 464 (13%) investigations primarily tackle labour exploitation within a range of sectors; the most frequently occurring are construction, car washes, the food industry (preparation, service manual labour, factories and health & beauty. **499** investigations identify labour exploitation at a primary level or otherwise.

Domestic Servitude: 83 (2%) investigations primarily tackle domestic servitude. 90 investigations identify exploitation through domestic servitude at a primary level or otherwise.

Forced/Sham Marriage: 2 (<1%) investigations involve tackling forced or sham marriages at a primary level or otherwise.

Suspect Profile Police Investigations The most frequently identified perpetrator nationalities are: British Romanian Albanian Chinese Polish

Slovak or Slovakian

HUN/PAK/BGR/BGD/VNM

Iranian/Lithuanian



