## An Roinn Dlí agus Cirt Department of Justice



## Mr Ken Foxe

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Our Ref: DOJ-FOI-2023-0412

Dear Mr Foxe,

I refer to your Freedom of Information request seeking:

- -A record of the number of EU citizens that have had their right of residence in Ireland removed in each of the years 2021, 2022, and thus far in 2023.
- A record of the number of citizens from each EU state that had their right of residence removed in the period outlined above.
- A categorisation of how many of these removals related to a serious criminal conviction, and the category of offence that it related to e.g. homicide, sexual assault, armed robbery, assault etc.

## Decision

A decision has been made on your request by Elaine Houlihan, Assistant Principal who has decided to grant your request.

• During 2021 until 7 July 2023 92 EU citizens were removed from the State. This is broken down as follows:

In 2021, 42 EU citizens were removed from the State In 2022, 37 EU citizens were removed from the State In 2023, 13 EU citizens were removed from the State

 The record of citizens from each EU State removed during this period is outlined in the table below

Year	Country	Number
2021	Lithuania	11
	Poland	11
	Romania	7
	Others*	13
2022	Romania	16
	Poland	7
	Lithuania	7
	Others*	7
2023 to	Lithuania	5
date		
	Others*	8



\*Please note that it is the policy of the Department not to release numbers where there are less than 5 in order to protect the identities and safety of related parties.

The category of the offences are detailed below. Please note that a person may have been charged with more than one offence. All numbers less than 5 have again been removed in order to protect the identities of those involved.

Year	Conviction	
2021	Drug Offences	14
	Assault	
	Robbery/Attempted Robbery	
	Sexual Assault	
	Theft	
	Criminal Damage	
	Rape	
	Brothel Keeping	
	Burglary	
	Defilement of a Child	
	Manslaughter	
	Money Laundering in the State	
	(Covert/Transfer/Handle/Possess /Use)	
	Organise ETC. Illegal Immigrants/ Asylum Seekers	
	to Enter the State	
	Possession of Child Pornography	
	Possession of Stolen Property	
	Threatening to Kill or Cause Serious Harm	
	Unlawful seizure of Vehicles	
	Total	42
		1.0
2022	Theft	10
	Drugs Offences Sexual Assault	7
	Money Laundering	5
	Attempted Robbery/Robbery	
	Burglary	
	Defilement of a Child	
	False Imprisonment	
	Harassment/Stalking	
	Intimidation	
	Threatening to Kill or Cause Serious Harm	
	Threatening/Abusive/Insulting Behaviour in a	
	Public Place	



	Using a False Instrument	
	Violent Disorder	
	Total	38
2023 to date	Drugs Offences	
	Assault Causing Harm	
	Sexual Assault	
	Arson	
	Burglary	
	Custody of a false Instrument	
	Damaging Property Belonging to Another	
	Evasion of Excise Duty	
	Money Laundering	
	Participation in a criminal organisation	
	Total	13

## **Rights of Review**

In the event that you are not happy with this decision you may seek a review of this decision by writing to the Freedom of Information Officer, foi@justice.ie seeking an internal review of the matter and referring to or enclosing a copy of this letter.

Please note that a fee applies for such a review. The level of this has been set at €30 [€10 for medical card holder] and payment should be made by way of bank draft, money order or postal order. Should you wish to make payment by electronic means please contact <u>foi@justice.ie</u> for details.

You should submit this application for a review of your request within 4 weeks from the date of this notification, where a day is defined as a working day excluding the weekend and public holidays. The making of a late application for review may be permitted in appropriate circumstances. The review will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of the staff of this body and the decision will be communicated to you within 3 weeks.

Yours sincerely,

Louise Keane

Louise Keane Freedom of Information Officer 17 July 2023