

Rt Hon Jeremy Wright QC MP
Attorney General

15 July 2016

Dear Attorney,

Sections 71 to 74 of the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005

I write further to my letter of 11 April 2016, which related to the number of agreements made under sections 71 to 74 of the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 (SOCPA).

In the interests of transparency, the CPS publishes the number of such agreements entered into on an annual basis. My letter of 11 April was published on the CPS website and I am now writing to inform you of the latest numbers of agreements entered into between 1 May 2015 and 30 April 2016. These are set out in the table below:

SOCPA agreements 1 May 2015 – 30 April 2016	
<u>SOCPA section</u>	<u>Number of agreements</u>
S.71	
S.72	
s.73	12
s.74	6

Collation of these figures is reliant on manual reporting and whilst we have endeavoured to produce figures that are as accurate as possible, this data is subject to human error.

Going forward, the CPS will also be monitoring the use of Proffer letters in cases involving assisting offenders. I will write again at the end of the next reporting period to provide you with these figures for 2016-17.

This letter will be published on the CPS website alongside those previously sent concerning the use of SOCPA agreements.

Yours sincerely,



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DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS
