

Op Nexus

Foreign National Offenders

MOPAC challenge panel

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The Challenge - 28 % (c.70K per year) of total MPS Custody Prisoners and 25% of High Harm Nominals are Foreign Nationals (*Merely reflective of the fact that 33% of Londoners are now foreign nationals – but a significant policing challenge/opportunity*)

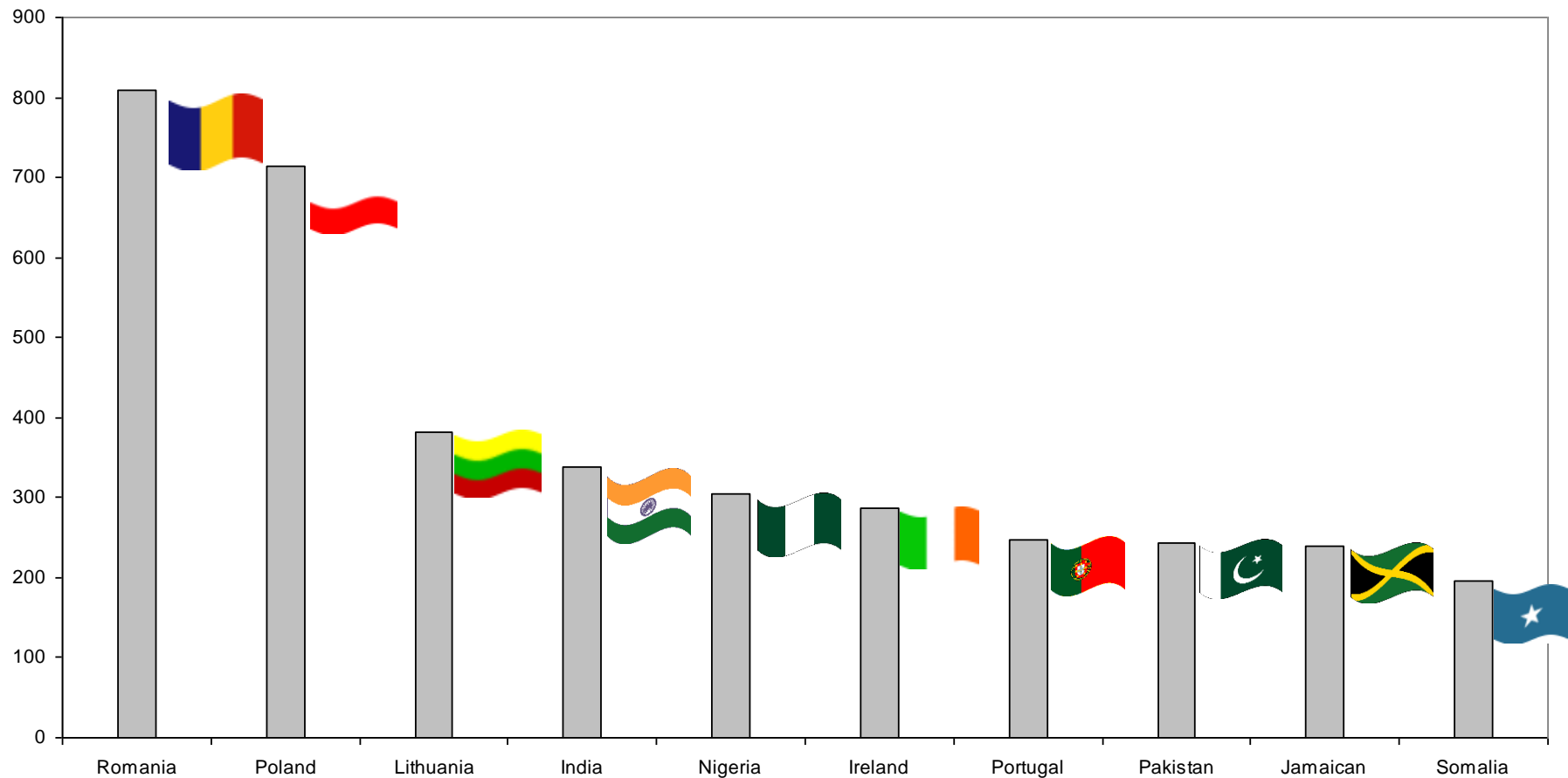
The Objective – To be as effective in dealing with criminals from overseas as we are with those from the UK - to remove 2000 FNOs during 2013/14.

The Response - three work strands

1. Custody – effective identification, research and enforcement of FNOs.
2. High Harm / Repeat offenders – Case building to achieve removal from the UK.
3. Development of operational effectiveness via intelligence and technology – information sharing, on street intelligence , exchange of biometric data.



Top 10 countries in terms of 'volume' (Nov. 2013)



Strand 1 - Custody:



- 1st UK force to link Livescan link between police and immigration systems
- Significant increase in I24/7 and ACRO checks
- MPS currently doing 3500 ACRO checks per month, next nearest UK force doing 300
- HOIE have reconfigured London delivery to MPS call outs to create a dedicated team to service police prisoners. HOIE staff imbedded in 16 MPS custody suites with call out response to others. Response co-ordinated by a Joint Operations Centre
- All of the above teasing out far more prisoners illegally in the UK at the time of arrest (inc. persons previously thought to be British or EU nationals not capable of intervention).
- **Since inception in Oct. 2012 1278 persons have been removed from the UK having entered MPS custody (these cannot return for 10 years).**
- A number more have been identified to be dealt with once they have gone through the CJ system



Example of custody intervention

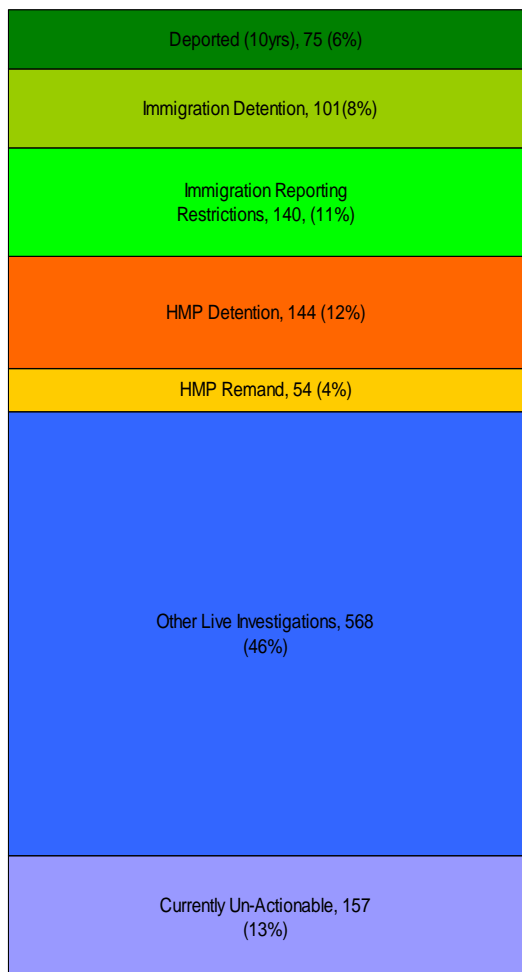
Nationality: Albanian



15/10/2012 – Leyton custody suite
Arrested for GBH with intent following an altercation in a Public House in the E17 area. Victims were punched and stamped upon. Checks with HOIE identified the subject as an illegal entrant into the UK. Subject charged with GBH with intent, three counts of battery and entering UK without leave will now be deported for 10 years either as a result of conviction or without.



Strand 2 - 'High Harm' (inc. Prolific MOPAC7) 1269 referrals



25% of High Harm referrals with Nexus intervention, deported, detained or immigration reporting conditions imposed.

16% of High Harm referrals detained via HMP, monitored for positive immigration intervention, post Criminal Detention.

46% of High Harm referrals subject to current investigation & PNC flags to halt progression to UK Citizenship, ensuring vulnerability to immigration solution.

13% deemed un-actionable* at present, remain flagged via PNC ensuring future offending is captured & considered with any subsequent Immigration application to proceed towards naturalisation.

The 1269 accepted high harm referrals come from the following originators:

Alambadi (Prolific Unregistered Sex Offenders)	18	1.4%
CCD (Serving FNO @ HMP)	28	2.2%
Central Jigsaw (Registered Sex Offenders)	17	1.3%
CSV (TP Chaotic Street Violent Offender)	15	1.2%
HOIE (H/O Immigration Referral)	64	5.0%
MAPPA (Multi Agency Managed Offenders)	5	0.4%
MIB (FNO's ID'd by Nexus on Daily Bulletin)	55	4.3%
OGC (Organised Crime Groups)	5	0.4%
SC&O7 (OCN / Gang Members)	43	3.4%
SC&O8 (Street Gang members)	159	12.5%
TP Custody (Defined as High Harm)	840	66.2%
H/O Mothers, minors & baby team	5	0.4%
SC&O/SCD	8	0.6%
SC&O1	1	0.1%
Total	1269	

* **Currently un-actionable**, cases initially referred & accepted by HOIE onto High Harm Tracker, subsequently found to have significant Immigration barriers that outweigh their level of criminal offending.



'High Harm' examples:



Nationality: Sierra Leonian

Top 10 unmanaged predatory sex offender, knife point robber who targeted vulnerable women. Linked to 4 rapes, 10 indecent exposures and indecency towards a 3 year old. Named suspect in 46 CRIS reports.

Nexus successfully argued against his Article 8 HRA appeal. The subject now deported after being in the UK for 18 yrs. Cannot lawfully return for at least 10 years.





Nationality: Jamaican

Previously sentenced to 4 years for rape and 5 years for armed commercial robbery. His brother was fatally shot in 2000, and the subject was shot in 2005 and 2007, the latter with a Mac 10 machine pistol, in front of 100+ commuters at tube station, whilst in company with 30+ gang members. His associate was shot dead in 2009 with the same weapon.

Police intelligence used to overcome article 8 HRA claim.

Now deported, cannot lawfully return for at least 10 years.





“ Information is key to effective policing. Do we know as much about a foreign national as a UK suspect ? “

- ACRO checks – no facility to receive overseas conviction data whilst suspects are in custody.
- Forensics- no current facility for routine sharing of subject biometric and outstanding crime scene mark data with international law enforcement to identify suspects here and overseas.
- Building bi-lateral intelligence links and focussed intelligence sharing with Europol :
 - EU funding grant £1.5M, top up by £460K from MOPAC – 2 years dedicated Romanian and Polish officers in London supported by dedicated intelligence.
 - Agreement reached with Lithuania for similar 'fast time' access (c.600 a month) when Poland, Romania and Lithuania in place (c.Feb 2014) will have far better 'real time' data on c.40% of MPS FNOs and 12% of entire prisoners.
- 2014 UK access to the SIS2 international intelligence and warnings system – “Pan Europe PNC “



Community engagement/feedback:

- Membership of and regular briefings to Mayor's London Strategic Migration Panel (LSMP)
- Creation of, and regular briefings to a bespoke 'emerging communities' reference group
- Briefings to Romanian community and media (facilitated by Embassy)
- Briefings to all centrally and locally known strategic stakeholders, opinion formers and community leaders in London at time of launch and at significant times since
- Clear, positive media lines – Nexus is about getting better at dealing with criminal offenders rather than labelling or targeting emerging communities

Result – little community concern, focus and approach fully understood



The Future :

- Op. Nexus model being rolled out across UK under the Organised Crime Strategy – 1 of only 5 key strands
- Comprehensive HMG review of all matters relating to foreign national offenders :
 - from overseas Visa applications
 - operations and data sharing,
 - Considering use of covert intelligence in immigration proceedings(PII),
 - Reviewing use of 'conditional cautions' applying to EU nationals,
- Change on legislation around the right to return to UK of EU nationals subject to administrative removal



Low level public nuisance and offending by EU nationals



- **Operation Unite – Westminster - cohesive tiered response**

- Increased HOIE ICE team and BOCU commitment (street interactions)
- Increased HOIE and Central Nexus Team staff in custody re arrests
- Deployment of seconded Polish and Romanian colleagues
- Creation of bespoke intelligence profile to drive reactive and proactive activity
- Specialist MPS teams for use in proactive 'money laundering' and Organised Crime Group investigations
- Full implementation of the new immigration policy legislation (non-exercising treaty rights) as of 2nd Jan. (HOIE week of action)
- Increased use of 'non-conducive' and deportation post criminal sentence powers against EU nationals by central Nexus team
- Greater co-operation with Europol and EU law enforcement (inc. benchmarking 'what works')

