1. Please disclose a complete list of these 'markers' used by your force, together with descriptions of each type

National markers used by every force in E&W for example:

Wanted – For those nominals who need to be arrested (offence has a power of arrest attached) Missing – Sub Heading under Wanted for those nominals who have been reported Missing Warrants – Sub heading under wanted for those people where the courts have issued a warrant for their arrest

Locate Trace – For nominals who officers need to know whereabouts of but the offence does not carry a power of arrest or where we need to locate a nominal who's vulnerable

Operational Information – Information that officers would find useful if coming across them in their duties

Orders – Orders issued by the courts, such as restraining orders, non molestation orders with details of length and any conditions that need to be met by the nominal

In addition, please see page 364 Types of Information Markers: PNC Manual

2. Please disclose all guidelines on the use of each of these markers. This may include internal policies, standard operating procedures, practice directions, etc.

Markers are added to PNC based on the above guidelines which is the same as description as they have to meet that qualifying criteria to be circulated.

3. For example, when would police officers use a 'locate and trace' marker as opposed to a 'wanted' marker?

As above a Locate Trace is for nominals who officers need to know whereabouts of but the offence does not carry a power of arrest whereas a wanted would be added for where a power of arrest exists

4. Please disclose all documents relating to the review and cancellation of markers, including review schedules, criteria to be considered when removing or cancelling a marker, etc. If this would depend on other factors such as seriousness of the offence or time passed, please also disclose this information.

A report is run showing expiry dates of all markers and the PNC 24/7 staff review. Wanted (all variants) are added for 3 years and are reviewed and kept on PNC assuming they have not been arrested for the offence for another 12 months and reviewed annually after that. Orders are reviewed and updated upon expiry based on courts information as they dictate how long an order is on PNC. There isn't any paperwork it's just standard practice of what happens

In addition, there is a new Code of Practice being consulted see <u>consultation</u> and <u>glossary</u> for information.

5. How is information on PNC markers shared with foreign authorities or police, eg. via PNC itself or via other systems such as Europol and Interpol?

No specific recorded information held. We have been advised that this is done by foreign authorities approaching ACRO . 6. Are there any sets of circumstances that would always result in foreign authorities being notified, e.g. if a foreigner has gone missing or is wanted, would an international alert always be issued regardless of the case's specific circumstances or whether the individual is indeed abroad?

No

7. For the responses to Q5 and Q6, please also elaborate if Brexit has had an impact on this (e.g. would it be that before Brexit, when a European national was missing or wanted in the UK, all EU countries would be alerted, but currently this is no longer the case)

Yes, Brexit had an impact as wanted would have been circulated via the SIS II Schengen Information system automatically to which we no longer have access

As of 2300 31/12/20 the UK can no longer access SISII, a pan-European database that circulates real-time information alerts between participating countries in relation to people and property, they now have to use similar international tools such as Interpol I-24/7 and Interpol notices.