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Dear Mr Luke

OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST-JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

Thank you for your email of 29 July 2019 asking "if the JP Association provided such statement to the potential applicants re: shortage of age group? Does the Ministry keep JPs data per age group and will Ministry determine what sort of group (age, ethnicity etc) they are seeking for?".

From the quote given, I assume that the comment was made to that particular JP nominee at interview.

Justice of the Peace nominee's ages are recorded when they fill out their nomination forms. The Ministries' database does not record data per age group.

The Ministry has no role in determining who shall be nominated, as all JP nominations are made by Members of Parliament who are best placed to decide who should be appointed in their electorate.

Yours sincerely

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