Reference: 2024-091

Thank you for your email in which you requested the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA):

- 1. What is the current impact of cryptocurrency on fraud investigations? This could be percentage of cases that involve cryptocurrency, the estimated value of cryptocurrency-based fraud or any other mechanism to show scale. Preferably from the timeframe 2019-2024.
- 2. Why do criminals use cryptocurrency from your perspective?
- 3. What is the impact of public and private ledgers on investigations?
- 4. What role does cryptocurrency's pseudoanonmity play in investigations?
- 5. What is the typical timeline of crypto-focussed fraud investigations? How does this compare to 'typical' fraud investigations? Preferably for the timeframe 2019-2024
- 6. What types of international collaboration are common? How common is international collaboration in cryptocurrency-focussed fraud investigations? Preferably for the timeframe 2019-2024.

Response

The SFO does not hold this information.