

Netflix removes producer amid historical harassment allegations

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Unnamed man denies claims, as matter is referred to the police

<u>Netflix</u> has removed a producer working on one of its UK originals after it was contacted with anonymous accounts of historical sexual harassment.

The man, whose name is known to Broadcast, has denied the allegations which were anonymously emailed to Netflix on Monday. While they do not relate to the show currently in production or any historic Netflix show, the individual was removed from the set that day and the matter has been passed to the police.

The producer has been suspended from his agents, pending the outcome of the investigation. A spokesman for the agents said: "Whilst this matter is investigated we have suspended our representation of him." His Bafta membership has also been suspended.

The email contained anonymous accounts of "very serious" allegations from at least six individuals, according to one source with knowledge of its contents. No specific shows are thought to have been named.

Netflix confirmed its decision in a statement to Broadcast.

"On Monday, we received an anonymous email containing historical allegations about a producer on one of our titles. Whilst the allegations are unrelated to his time on the show, we immediately removed him from the production and referred the matter to the police."

Lawyers acting for the man said that he denied any wrongdoing, adding: "He has never acted inappropriately on any production, or at all, and has never had any complaints made about his conduct."

If you would like to speak to someone about bullying or harassment you can call the Film and TV Charity's 24-hour Support Line 0800 054 00 00 to speak to a bullying adviser or use its online resources www.filmtvcharity.org.uk/bullying