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Dear [REDACTED]

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: CASH
DETENTION FIGURES**

I refer to your email dated 13 October 2017 which was acknowledged on the same date

We are treating your email as a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000).

In your email you requested the following information:

“1) Result tables for Ministry of Defence Police which will include the number of cash detentions the force has made using POCA powers (including where cash was initially seized using PACE powers and subsequently converted to POCA).

The amounts of cash seized for each year from 2008 to 2016.

2)The amounts of cash seized in each year from 2008 to 2016 and which have had to be returned to those from whom they were seized.

3)The amounts of detained cash which have been repatriated to victims of crime for each year from 2008 to 2016.

4) The number of cases won by way of contested court hearing

5) Number of cases won where respondents did not contest cases, for each year from 2008 to 2016.”

A search for information has now been completed and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held by the Ministry of Defence Police (MDP). Please see below:-

1) Result tables for Ministry of Defence Police which will include the number of cash detentions the force has made using POCA powers (including where cash was initially seized using PACE powers and subsequently converted to POCA).

The amounts of cash seized for each year from 2008 to 2016.

MDP made two cash detentions within the timeframe specified, one in 2010, where the amount seized was £9,785.46, and in 2012 where the amount seized was £13,810.00

2)The amounts of cash seized in each year from 2008 to 2016 and which have had to be returned to those from whom they were seized.

Please see above. Both amounts were subsequently returned.

3)The amounts of detained cash which have been repatriated to victims of crime for each year from 2008 to 2016.

No detained cash was repatriated to victims of crime during the timeframe specified.

4) The number of cases won by way of contested court hearing

No cases were won by way of contested court hearing during the timeframe specified.

5) Number of cases won where respondents did not contest cases, for each year from 2008 to 2016.”

No cases won where respondents did not contest cases in the timeframe specified.

The Ministry of Defence Police can neither confirm nor deny that it holds any other information with regard to an exempt body as the duty in Section 1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 does not apply by virtue of the following exemption:

Section 23(5) Information Supplied by, or concerning, certain Security Bodies

Section 23 and is a class based absolute exemption and there is no requirement to consider the public interest in this case.

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If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely

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