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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: SICK LEAVE DUE TO MENTAL HEALTH

I refer to your e-mail dated 12 September 2018, which was acknowledged on the 13 September 2018.

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

In your e-mail you requested the following information:

**“Can I please have the amount of officers in your force that have taken time off work for mental health/anxiety/stress related issues.
I would like the total number of days of all absences.
Can I please have a yearly breakdown over the last 10 years, since January 1, 2008, up until Wednesday 12 September, 2018.”**

A search for information has now been completed by the Ministry of Defence Police and I can confirm that we do hold information in scope of your request.

Please see the table below:

Calendar Year	Total Officers one or more days sick Anxiety,Depression Stress	Total Working Days Anxiety,Depression,Stress
2013	171	3981
2014	109	3735
2015	68	2663
2016	106	3095

2017	173	8129
2018 (up to 30 September 2018)	104	2077

Please note:

Data is only available from 2013 onwards.

The Health and Wellbeing of Ministry of Defence Police Officers is of paramount importance to the force and support is given to officers and their line managers as appropriate on a case by case basis.

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.gov.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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