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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: BODY WORN VIDEO CAMERAS (BWVC)

I refer to your e-mail of 8 October 2018, which was acknowledged on the 9 October 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:

- "1. On how many occasions since body worn video has been introduced at your police force have there been faults with the system e.g. cameras not working as they should, problems with downloading the footage. Please specify the nature of the fault in each case and include any comments an officer has made about the incident.
- 2. Please tell me on how many occasions body worn video has been deployed and how many body worn cameras the force has. Please also state how much the force has spent on body worn cameras.
- 3. Please tell me on how many occasions body worn video footage or the camera has been lost."

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

1. On how many occasions since body worn video has been introduced at your police force have there been faults with the system e.g. cameras not working as they should, problems with downloading the footage. Please specify the nature of the fault in each case and include any comments an officer has made about the incident.

The Ministry of Defence Police (MDP) is currently running a pilot scheme of Body Worn Video Cameras (BWVC). No specific faults have been reported, but one issue resulting from officer's incorrectly returning BWVC to docking stations has been identified and addressed.

2. Please tell me on how many occasions body worn video has been deployed and how many body worn cameras the force has. Please also state how much the force has spent on body worn cameras.

To date, BWVC have been deployed (i.e. signed out) approximately 1410 times during the aforementioned pilot scheme.

The MDP currently has 46 BWVC that have been funded by the customer, so are at no cost to the force.

3. Please tell me on how many occasions body worn video footage or the camera has been lost.

None.

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

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Yours sincerely

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