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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: DEATH IN RETIREMENT

I refer to your e-mail dated 14 January 2019, which was acknowledged on the same date.

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:

'If a retired MOD police officer, passed away after 32 years in service, and received a ministry pension, he is entitled to financial support to cover funeral costs?'

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.

In the first instance I must advise that any request for information in connection with a pension matter should be directed via the Civil Service Pension Website:

<https://www.civilservicepensionscheme.org.uk>

However the Ministry of Defence Police Chief Constable's Fund provides financial assistance to both serving and ex-members of the Force and their dependants who are experiencing any form of hardship or distress and therefore could provide such support if appropriate under the terms of Fund.

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.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely

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