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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: OPERATION CLOCKFACE.

I refer to your e-mail of 4 June 2019, which was acknowledged on the 5 June 2019.

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:

"My request concerns a recent deployment by The Ministry of Defence Police to Babcock dockyard, Rosyth, Scotland under Operation Clockface between 2nd April to 23 May 2019.

My FOI request questions are laid out as below:

1. I wish to ascertain if part or all of Operation Clockface was as a result of a direct request from Police Scotland to Ministry of Defence Police under a Mutual Aid support request.

2. If this is the case is it possible to ascertain if this Mutual Aid Support request was discussed and agreed at Chief Officer level and if so is it possible to obtain a copy of the minutes of that and subsequent meetings concerning Operation Clockface

3. Could you please provide details as to who founded the Ministry of Defence Police involvement of Operation Clockface. In other words was the Ministry of Defence Police funded by Police Scotland who in turn were funded by the Ministry of Defence, or were the Ministry of Defence Police directly funded by the Ministry of Defence for this Operation."

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

1. Operation Clockface is a routine tasking for MDP and not a request from Police Scotland for mutual aid.

- 2. No Information held see above
- 3. Funding for routine business is from the Ministry of Defence.

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 MDP Sec Data Protection and Freedom of Information Office