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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: ETHNIC MINORITY MDP OFFICERS.

We refer to your email dated 12 August 2019 to the Ministry of Defence Police 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) How many ethnic minority officer are there currently employed in the M.O.D. Police?
- 2) How many of the above are in probation i.e. Have less than 2 years' service?
- 3) How many ethnic minority officers are there at and above the rank of Inspector in the MDP?
- 4) With regards to FOSN 41/17 IPSO deployment I would like to know the following;
- a) How many officers applied for this IPSO deployment?
- b) How many officers were accepted for this deployment?
- c) How many ethnic minority officers applied for this deployment?
- d) How many ethnic minority officers were accepted for this deployment?
- e) How many officers accepted have less than 2 years' service?
- f) How many officers accepted have less than 5 years' service?
- g) How many officers accepted have less than 10 years' service?
- h) How many officers accepted have less than 15 years' service?
- i) How many of the officers accepted are of constable rank
- j) How many of the officers accepted are of sergeants rank?
- k) How many of the officers accepted are of inspector rank and above?

- 5) In the last 6 year years, with regards to M.D.P. International secondments (IPSO) deployments I would like to know the following;
- a) How many officers have applied for any IPSO deployment's?
- b) How many of those officers were accepted for deployments?
- c) How many of those actually went on deployments?
- d) How many of those officers that applied for deployment were ethnic minority officers?
- e) How many of those officers were ethnic minority officers and were accepted for IPSO deployment's?
- f) How many of those ethnic minority officers actually went on deployment?"

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.

1. How many ethnic minority officer are there currently employed in the M.O.D. Police?

61

2. How many of the above are in probation i.e. Have less than 2 years' service?

21

3. How many ethnic minority officers are there at and above the rank of Inspector in the MDP?

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- 4. With regards to FOSN 41/17 IPSO deployment I would like to know the following:
 - a) How many officers applied for this IPSO deployment?

113 officers expressed their interest

b) How many officers were accepted for this deployment?

FOSN 41/17 does not refer to a specific deployment but sought expressions of interest

c) How many ethnic minority officers applied for this deployment?

No information held. Officer ethnicity information was not sought.

d) How many ethnic minority officers were accepted for this deployment?

See above

e) How many officers accepted have less than 2 years' service?

No information held. Length of service information was not sought.

f) How many officers accepted have less than 5 years' service?

See e) above

g) How many officers accepted have less than 10 years' service?

See e) above

h) How many officers accepted have less than 15 years' service?

See e) above

i) How many of the officers accepted are of constable rank?

85

j) How many of the officers accepted are of sergeants rank?

20

k) How many of the officers accepted are of inspector rank and above?

8

- 4. In the last 6 year years, with regards to M.D.P. International secondments (IPSO) deployments I would like to know the following;
 - a) How many officers have applied for any IPSO deployment's?

6 officers have applied for a specific deployment (not including those that expressed a general expression of interest)

b) How many of those officers were accepted for deployments?

Of those 6 above, 2 were accepted for deployment

c) How many of those actually went on deployments?

2 have been deployed

d) How many of those officers that applied for deployment were ethnic minority officers?

No information held. Officer ethnicity information was not recorded.

e) How many of those officers were ethnic minority officers and were accepted for IPSO deployment's?

No information held. Officer ethnicity information was not recorded.

f) How many of those ethnic minority officers actually went on deployment?

No information held. Officer ethnicity information was not recorded.

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Yours sincerely

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