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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: TASER TRAINING.

I refer to your e-mail of 21 August 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:

- "1. How many officers are currently trained to use a Taser within this force?
- 2. How many officers are waiting to be Taser trained?
- 3. How many officers in 2019 have gone on a Taser training course but have subsequently failed that course and consequently not authorised to carry a Taser
- 4. How many officers have requested to be Taser trained since the 7th of August 19
- 5. What are official pre-requisites required of an officer to apply for the Taser training course within this force
- 6. How many female officers carry a Taser
- 7. How many male officers carry a Taser."

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. 1924
- 2. All AFOs are trained in-year.
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- 4. All MDP Authorised Firearms Officers(AFOs) are required to be qualified in Taser.
- 5. As above, AFOs are required to be qualified in Taser.
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- 7. 1749

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Yours sincerely

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