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Dear

I am writing in response to your request for information regarding the below. Your request has been handled under Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. In accordance with Section 1(1) (a) of the Act I hereby confirm that the CNC/CNPA does hold information of the type specified.

I am sending this request under the Freedom of Information Act to ask for the following information:

- 1. How many police officers have had allegations of sexual misconduct and/or sexual assault made against them by the general public and within their own forces in each of the following financial years:
 - a. 2016-17
 - b. 2017-18
 - c. 2018-19
 - d. 2019-20
 - e. 2020-21
- 2. Of these allegations how many of these cases have led to misconduct hearings or misconduct disciplinaries in each of the following financial years?
 - a. 2016-17
 - b. 2017-18
 - c. 2018-19

- d. 2019-20
- e. 2020-21
- 3. How many of these officers were dismissed in the misconduct hearings/disciplinaries with regards to the allegations in the following financial years?
 - a. 2016-17
 - b. 2017-18
 - c. 2018-19
 - d. 2019-20
 - e. 2020-21
- 4. How many of these officers were reprimanded but were not dismissed in the financial years?
 - a. 2016-17
 - b. 2017-18
 - c. 2018-19
 - d. 2019-20
 - e. 2020-21
- 5. Were any of these cases progressed to the criminal court and if so how many in the financial years:
 - a. 2016-17
 - b. 2017-18
 - c. 2018-19
 - d. 2019-20
 - e. 2020-21
- 6. How many misconduct/disciplinary hearings involving officers accused of sexual misconduct and/or sexual assault were subject to reporting restrictions in the financial years:
 - a. 2016-17
 - b. 2017-18
 - c. 2018-19
 - d. 2019-20
 - e. 2020-21
- 7. What is your policy on reporting restrictions for misconduct/disciplinary hearings for your officers who are accused of sexual misconduct and/or sexual assault?
- 8. What is your policy for victims discussing misconduct hearings when a case is been heard. Are victims prohibited from speaking

about misconduct trials to other parties after the hearing is concluded including when the officer is dismissed/suspended from their roles?

The above information is exempt from disclosure under Section 21 (information accessible to the applicant by other means). We are not required to release information if it is reasonably accessible to you in another way. The information can be found by following the link, where similar FOI requests on sexual misconduct can be found. https://www.gov.uk/search/all?organisations%5B%5D=civil-nuclear-constabulary&order=updated-newest&parent=civil-nuclear-constabulary

The Civil Nuclear Constabulary is a specialist armed police service dedicated to the civil nuclear industry, with Operational Policing Units based at 10 civil nuclear sites in England and Scotland and over 1400 police officers and staff. The Constabulary headquarters is at Culham in Oxfordshire. The civil nuclear industry forms part of the UK's critical national infrastructure and the role of the Constabulary contribute to the overall framework of national security.

The purpose of the Constabulary is to protect licensed civil nuclear sites and to safeguard nuclear material in transit. The Constabulary works in partnership with the appropriate Home Office Police Force or Police Scotland at each site. Policing services required at each site are greed with nuclear operators in accordance with the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003 and ratified by the UK regulator, the Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR). Armed policing services are required at most civil nuclear sites in the United Kingdom. The majority of officers in the Constabulary are Authorised Firearms Officers.

The Constabulary is recognised by the National Police Chiefs' Council (NPCC) and the Association of Chief Police Officers in Scotland (ACPOS). Through the National Coordinated Policing Protocol, the Constabulary has established memorandums of understanding with the local police forces at all 10 Operational Policing Units. Mutual support and assistance enable the Constabulary to maintain focus on its core role.

We take our responsibilities under the Freedom of Information Act seriously but, if you feel your request has not been properly handled or you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you have the right to complain. We will investigate the matter and endeavour to reply within 3 – 6 weeks. You should write in the first instance to:

Kristina Keefe

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If you are still dissatisfied following our internal review, you have the right, under section 50 of the Act, to complain directly to the Information Commissioner. Before considering your complaint, the Information Commissioner would normally expect you to have exhausted the complaints procedures provided by the CNPA.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

FOI Compliance Team (complaints)
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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If you require any further assistance in connection with this request please contact us at our address below:

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Yours sincerely Kristina Keefe Disclosures Officer