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Dear

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: INVESTIGATORY POWERS

I refer to your email dated 28 March 2017 which was acknowledged on 29 March 2017.

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:

"How many people work for your organisation.

- How many of these people will authorised by warrant to conduct interception, equipment interference (hacking to obtain information) or bulk communications data acquisition under the Investigatory Powers Act 2016
- How many warrants have been applied for under the Investigatory Powers Act 2016?
- How many warrants were granted?
- How many investigations has your organisation carried out so far under the Investigatory Powers Act 2016 and what were they for?

Please could you also provide the number of crimes in each category and financial year in which an outcome has not yet been reached, i.e. the case is still under investigation"

A search for information has now been completed and I can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held.

How many people work for your organisation.

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How many of these people will authorised by warrant to conduct interception, equipment interference (hacking to obtain information) or bulk communications data acquisition under the Investigatory Powers Act 2016

The Ministry of Defence Police do not have the capability to conduct interception or equipment interference. Bulk Communications Data acquisition would be obtained after authorisation through 3 officers qualified as Comms Data Single Points of Contact (SPOCs). The authorisation sits with 4 post holders (2 Inspector ranks and 2 Superintendent ranks)

How many warrants have been applied for under the Investigatory Powers Act 2016?

No information held. No warrants have been applied for under the IAP 2016

How many warrants were granted?

N/A

How many investigations has your organisation carried out so far under the Investigatory Powers Act 2016 and what were they for?

N/A

If you are not satisfied with this response or wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor Zone D, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, London SW1A 2HB (email <a href="CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk">CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk</a>). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate the case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website (<a href="http://www.ico.org.uk">http://www.ico.org.uk</a>).

Yours sincerely

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