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Reply to: [REDACTED]

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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 13 March 2017 in which you have requested the following information:

- "1. In a previous FoI response [FOI2016/00028] you gave details of the number of sex attacks reported in each of the services. Could you provide me with updated information for 2016?"*
- "2. In a previous FoI response [FOI2016/02891] you gave details of the compensation claims made by members of the armed forces who claimed to be victims of sex attacks. Please could you provide updated information to include claims for 2016?"*
- "3. As part of a parliamentary Written Answer [173908] [22 Nov 2013 : Column 1044W] you gave details on the number of people serving with the armed forces who are on the sexual offenders register and what category and level they are on the register. Please provide updated information relating to this issue?"*

I apologise for the delay in sending this response to you. I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I can confirm that the Ministry of Defence (MOD) holds information within the scope of your request.

However, Part 1 of your request is exempt under Section 21 of the FOI Act because the information is accessible to you by other means. The information requested forms part of Official Statistics, which can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/sexual-offences-in-the-service-justice-system>

The answer to Part 2 of your request is contained in the table herewith:

Year	Gender	Service	Sum paid
2016	Male	Army	Nil
2016	Male	Army	£5,800
2016	Female	Army	Nil
2016	Female	Army	Nil
2016	Male	RAF	Nil
2016	Female	Army	Nil
2016	Male	Army	Nil

The MOD has in place a statutory no-fault compensation scheme called the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (AFCS), which provides compensation for illness, injury or death where caused by service in the Armed Forces. The AFCS is a key way in which we support our people, and we encourage all individuals who have suffered due to service to come forward for help.

Regarding Part 3 of your request I can advise that there are 10 serving Service personnel currently on the Sex Offenders' Register. They are all Category 1 offenders and managed at Level 1 (the least serious category and minimum management level).

Under Section 16 of the FOI Act (Advice and Assistance) I can advise that the links below provide further information regarding the various categories and levels managed through MAPPA:

<https://mappa.justice.gov.uk/connect.ti/MAPPA/view?objectId=16248101>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/multi-agency-public-protection-arrangements-mappa--2>

If you are not satisfied with this response or you 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, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). 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 FOI Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your 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, <http://www.ico.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely

Defence People Secretariat