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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email dated the 10th July 2014 requesting the following information.

Could you tell me how many officers of major rank or the equivalent in the Royal Navy and RAF, who have been arrested, charged and convicted of fraud? Could you also disclose the fraud for which they were arrested, charged and convicted?

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that some of the information in scope of your request is held and can be found below.

Year	No of individual Officers at SO3 rank referred for fraud	No of individual Officers at SO3 rank charged with fraud	No of individual Officers at SO3 rank convicted of fraud
2009	0	0	0
2010	6	2	1
2011	2	0	0
2012	0	0	0
2013	1	0	0
2014	2	0 (as yet)	0 (as yet)

Under Section 16 of the Act (Advice and Assistance) you may find it helpful to note that the SPA was formed in 2009. We therefore do not hold statistical information appertaining to cases prior to that date.

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, 1st Floor, 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 Freedom of Information 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.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely

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