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By email –

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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: MAVERICK SPENDS

We refer to your email dated 9 December 2016 which was acknowledged on the 9 December 2016.

We are treating your email as a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000).

In your email of the 9 December 2016 you requested the following information:

"What is the total percentage of spend classed as 'maverick spend' across your department in the following financial years?

*Maverick spend is defined as any purchase made outside of the remit of the procurement function.

Timescale	Maverick spend	Maverick spend total
	percentage	
2012 – 2013		
2013 – 2014		
2014 – 2015		
2015 – 2016		

Does your organisation have a sanction system in place for non-compliance to procurement practices?

Does your organisation have incentives in place to encourage compliant sourcing?

Does your organisation have a certain amount of quotes it must obtain for different levels of value? i.e Five quotes for spend over £10,000."

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

What is the total percentage of spend classed as 'maverick spend' across your department in the following financial years?

Timescale	Maverick spend	Maverick spend total
	percentage	
2012 – 2013	0%	0
2013 – 2014	0%	0
2014 – 2015	0%	0
2015 – 2016	0%	0

Does your organisation have a sanction system in place for non-compliance to procurement practices?

The Ministry of Defence Police (MDP) does have a sanction system in place for non-compliance to procurement practices.

Does your organisation have incentives in place to encourage compliant sourcing?

Yes the MDP incentive is not to go outside of Policy – please see above response.

Does your organisation have a certain amount of quotes it must obtain for different levels of value? i.e Five quotes for spend over £10,000.

The MDP uses the "3 Quote Rule" for all levels of quote value.

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, 2nd Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, London SW1A 2HB (email 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 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 (http://www.ico.org.uk).

Yours sincerely

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