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By email –

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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: PUBLIC COMPLAINTS.

I refer to your e-mail of 7 December 2015, which we acknowledged on 8 December 2015. We are dealing with your e-mail of 7 December 2015 as a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

In your e-mail of 7 December 2015, you requested:

For the period 2006 to the most recent date available, I would like to request the follow information under the Freedom of Information act.

- 1. How many complaints have been made by members of the public about the conduct of officers in your police force?
- o I would also like to know what action was taken against the officers who had complaints made against them.
- § Contained within the information, I would like to know how many complaints were substantiated; how many were unsubstantiated; how many were discontinued; how many were resolved using a local resolution; as well as any other terms used about complaints.
- § I would also like to know what the consequences were for officers whose case were substantiated: how many were dismissed; how many saw formal action taken; how many resigned/retired; how many saw no further action taken etc.

2. How many officers in your force were accused of assault by members of the public?

- o And what action was taken against the accused officers who had complaints made against them.
- § Contained within the information, I would like to know how many complaints were substantiated; how many were unsubstantiated; how many were discontinued; how many were resolved using a local resolution; as well as any other terms used about complaints.
- § I would also like to know what the consequences were for officers whose case were substantiated: how many were dismissed; how many saw formal action taken; how many resigned/retired; how many saw no further action taken etc.

3. How many officers were accused of sexual assault by members of the public?

- o Again, I would like to know what action was taken against the officers who were accused of sexual assault.
- § Contained within the information, I would like to know how many complaints were substantiated; how many were unsubstantiated; how many were discontinued; how many were resolved using a local resolution; as well as any other terms used about complaints.
- § I would also like to know what the consequences were for officers whose case were substantiated: how many were dismissed; how many saw formal action taken; how many resigned/retired; how many saw no further action taken etc.

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

Please see the information in the Annex to this letter.

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 Team, 1st 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