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By email – [REDACTED]

Our Ref: eCase: FOI2016/09501 RFI: 277/16  
Date: 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016

Dear [REDACTED],

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: CANNABIS POSSESSION**

I refer to your email dated 12<sup>th</sup> October 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 12<sup>th</sup> October 2016 you requested the following information:

**“The number of people charged by Ministry of Defence Police with possession of cannabis each year in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015.**

**The number of people cautioned by Ministry of Defence Police for possession of cannabis each year in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015.**

**Also, please release the force’s official policy in regards to enforcing legislation around cannabis possession and production.”**

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

Please see information at Annex 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, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, London SW1A 2HB (email [CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk](mailto: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

**MDP Sec Data Protection and Freedom of Information Office**

**ANNEX A – FOI REQUEST RFI 277/16 eCase 09501/16 – CANNABIS POSSESSION.**

The number of people charged by Ministry of Defence Police with possession of cannabis each year in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number charged</b>
2011	1
2012	0
2013	1
2014	1
2015	0

The number of people cautioned by Ministry of Defence Police for possession of cannabis each year in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number cautioned</b>
2011	5
2012	2
2013	1
2014	0
2015	0

**Also, please release the force’s official policy in regards to enforcing legislation around cannabis possession and production.**

No information held. The Ministry of Defence Police do not have a force policy and follow national guidance.