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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: CRIMES REPORTED WHERE THE SUSPECT WAS UNDER THE AGE OF 16

We refer to your email dated 5 December 2016 which was acknowledged on the 6 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 5 December 2016 you requested the following information:

- "Please could you give me a breakdown of the number of crimes recorded where the suspects were children under 16 over the last five years?
- -with a breakdown by year
- with a breakdown by age, 0-5, 6-10, 1-2, 13-15.
- with a breakdown by type of crime theft, racial/religious, drugs, sexual offences, violent offences, possession of a knife, possession of a gun."

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

Please note; the below statistics are where an allegation of a crime has been made and is recorded in accordance with the crime recording standards. However this does not mean there was an arrest or charge bought against the suspect. All cases are thoroughly investigated.

2012					
CRIME	0-5 YRS	6-10 YRS	11-12 YRS	13-15 YRS	TOTAL
ASSAULT			2	1	3
CRIMINAL DAMAGE		1			1
THEFT				2	2
TOTAL		1	2	3	6

2013					
CRIME	0-5 YRS	6-10 YRS	11-12 YRS	13-15 YRS	TOTAL
ASSAULT		1		1	2
CRIMINAL DAMAGE		1			1
SEXUAL OFFENCES		1			1
THEFT				1	1
VANDALISM		1			1
TOTAL		4		2	6

2014					
CRIME	0-5 YRS	6-10 YRS	11-12 YRS	13-15 YRS	TOTAL
CRIMINAL DAMAGE			1	1	2
PETTY ASSAULT				1	1
SENDING LETTERS WITH INTENT TO CAUSE DISTRESS OR ANXIETY				1	1
THEFT			1		1
TOTAL			2	3	5

2015					
CRIME	0-5 YRS	6-10 YRS	11-12 YRS	13-15 YRS	TOTAL
BREACH OF THE PEACE			1	1	2
CRIMINAL DAMAGE		2		2	4
TOTAL		2	1	3	6

2016					
CRIME	0-5 YRS	6-10 YRS	11-12 YRS	13-15 YRS	TOTAL
ARSON			1		1
BURGLARY				1	1
COMMON ASSAULT AND BATTERY			2		2
CRIMINAL DAMAGE			1		1
THEFT			2		2
TOTAL			6	1	7

Please note, whilst the MOD Police's operations are focused on preventing and detecting crime as relevant to Defence interests, it also works together with the Home Office police and Police Scotland to ensure the safety and security of the general public.

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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