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By email – [REDACTED]

Our Ref: eCase: FOI 2015/00742 RFI:08/15
Date: 12 February 2015

Dear [REDACTED],

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS BUDGET

I acknowledge receipt of your e-mail dated 19 January 2015, which we are treating as request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000).

In your email you requested the following information:

“What is the total communications/ public relations budget for your police force? Please provide figures for each of the last six financial years, i.e. 2014/15, 13/14, 12/13, 11/12, 10/11 and 09/10.

How many staff are employed in your force's communications department? Please provide job titles.

Does your police force have a budget for external communications work? If so, please state how much has been spent on this for each of the years above.”

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

What is the total communications/ public relations budget for your police force? Please provide figures for each of the last six financial years, i.e. 2014/15, 13/14, 12/13, 11/12, 10/11 and 09/10.”

<i>Financial Year</i>	<i>Pay Costs</i>
09/10	197,142.97
10/11	377,724.15
11/12	374,542.01
12/13	296,678.30
13/14	244,541.40
14/15	197,206.84

All other costs including printing, travel and subsistence, stationery etc are not recorded separately.

How many staff are employed in your force's communications department? Please provide job titles.

The MDP Corporate Communications Department staffing level at 1 February 2015 is:

1x Corporate Communications Press Officer
1x Digital Communications Manager
1x Publications Manager
1x Video Manager/Photographer
1x Photographer

Does your police force have a budget for external communications work? If so, please state how much has been spent on this for each of the years above."

The MDP does not have a separate external communications budget. Any expenditure in this area would not be recorded separately.

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, 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

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