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By email – [REDACTED]

Our Ref: eCase: FOI 2015/04906 RFI:119/15
Date: 11 June 2015

Dear [REDACTED],

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: HELMETS AVAILABLE TO MOTORCYCLE OFFICERS

I write in regards to your email dated 4 June 2015 which was acknowledged on 5 June 2015.

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

In your email you requested the following information:

“I would be grateful if you could provide information about helmets made available to motorcycle officers.

Specifically, can you please confirm the following:

- 1. Are the helmets made available to officers full face helmets, open faced helmets, or helmets with a movable chin guard?*
- 2. If you make helmets other than full face helmets available, do you provide any guidance as to how these should be worn; for example, should helmets with a movable chin guard only be used with the chin guard down?*
- 3. Do you have any policy regarding the above?”*

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

- 1. Are the helmets made available to officers full face helmets, open faced helmets, or helmets with a movable chin guard?*

MDP Officers are given the option of open face flip up front or full face helmets.

2. If you make helmets other than full face helmets available, do you provide any guidance as to how these should be worn; for example, should helmets with a movable chin guard only be used with the chin guard down?

During all training officers are instructed/advised to never ride with the chin guard up for health & Safety reasons, and this is strictly enforced during the training period.

3. Do you have any policy regarding the above?

No Information held.

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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