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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: MDP CIVIL SERVICE RESOURCING EXEMPTION

I acknowledge receipt of your e-mail dated 24 February 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:

"Has MDP been granted a Civil Service Resourcing (CSR) exemption for MDP Portsmouth and MDP Porton Down?

If no, has MDP been given a blanket CSR exemption covering all locations and stations?"

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

MDP has CSR blanket approval to recruit externally to fill vacancies at locations across the Force in England, Scotland and Wales.

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
MDP Sec Data Protection and Freedom of Information Office