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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: PERSONAL SAFETY TRAINING

I refer to your email of 31 July 2017, which was acknowledged on the same day.

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

In your e-mail you requested the following information:

**“Are police officers taught during there personal safety training to apply a "choke hold" to persons neck, and it what circumstances would this be justified
Please supply any copies of any policy document or any other documentation that approves or disapproves this practise**

**If person is thought to have swallowed an object what are police officers taught to do
Please supply any copies of any policy document or any other documentation that that set out the procedure**

What Choke holds or neck holds are approved in the use of restraint of person.”

A search for information has now been completed and I can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held by the Ministry of Defence Police. Please see the following responses:-

Are police officers taught during there personal safety training to apply a "choke hold" to persons neck, and it what circumstances would this be justified

The “choke hold” is not a technique taught within the Ministry of Defence Police (MDP) Personal Safety Training initial training or the one day requalification, similarly we do not teach any other type of neck hold/restraints.

**If person is thought to have swallowed an object what are police officers taught to do
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that set out the procedure**

The D13 is the National Police Firearms Training curriculum and is taught to all Armed Firearms Officers. This contains a module on Management of a choking adult, child or infant. All training material is owned by the College of Policing.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely

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