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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: POLICE OFFICER SUSPENSIONS

I refer to your e-mail of 9 August 2017, which we acknowledged on the 10 August 2017

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:

- "1.a) How many police officers, including special constables, were suspended on full pay in each of the last four financial years (April 2016- March 2017, April 2015 March 2016, April 2014-2015, April 2013- March2014)? If a police officer's suspension crosses two financial years, please include them in every year the suspension was ongoing.
- b) What was the overall sum paid by the force to the suspended officers whilst they were suspended during each of the financial years outlined above?
- c) For each of the officers suspended during the period April 2013 March 2017 please provide details of each officer's rank, reason for suspension, and outcome of suspension.
- 2.a) What was/is the longest suspension during the period April 2013 March 2017? Please give the figure in working days, if possible, or state whichever alternative measure you are using.
- b) How much was paid to that officer during the suspension?
- c) Please include details of the officer's rank, reason for suspension and outcome of suspension.

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

Please see the response at Annex A

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

MDP Sec Data Protection and Freedom of Information Office

'1. a) How many police officers, including special constables, were suspended on full pay in each of the last four financial years (April 2016- March 2017, April 2015 – March 2016, April 2014-2015, April 2013- March2014)? If a police officer's suspension crosses two financial years, please include them in every year the suspension was ongoing.

Year	No. Officers Suspended
2013 - 2014	13
2014 - 2015	16
2015 - 2016	4
2016 - 2017	11

b) What was the overall sum paid by the force to the suspended officers whilst they were suspended during each of the financial years outlined above?

Year	Total Amount paid
2013 - 2014	£146,349.43
2014 - 2015	£191,110.76
2015 - 2016	£40,509.10
2016 - 2017	£163,447.96

c) For each of the officers suspended during the period April 2013 – March 2017 please provide details of each officer's rank, reason for suspension, and outcome of suspension.

Note: If an officer's suspension crossed two or more financial years, they will appear more than once.

April 2013 – March 2014

Rank	Reason	Outcome
Constable	Computer misuse	Resigned
Constable	Assault	Resigned
Constable	Inappropriate language/behaviour towards another officer (off duty)	No Case to Answer - No Action
Constable	Inappropriate language/behaviour towards another officer (off duty)	Not Proven
Constable	Breach of Health and Safety at Work Act & use of inappropriate language	Resigned
Constable	Failure to fully disclose information relating to incident involving driving a police vehicle	Resigned
Sergeant	Computer misuse (off duty)	No Case to Answer - No Action

Constable	Failure to comply with 'with cause' drugs test	Resigned
Constable	Falsification of records	Resigned
Constable	Arrested for Domestic Breach of Peace (Domestic- off duty)	Management Advice
Constable	Private firearms/ammunition not stored in accordance with licences.	Dismissal Without Notice
Inspector	Computer misuse on duty	Resigned
Sergeant	Domestic Assault/Threats to kill/Breach of Bail conditions	Resigned

April 2014 - March 2015

Rank	Reason	Outcome
Corgoont	Computer migues (off duty)	No Case to Answer - No
Sergeant	Computer misuse (off duty)	Action
Constable	Private firearms/ammunition not stored in accordance with licences.	Dismissal Without Notice
Inspector	Computer misuse on duty	Resigned
Sergeant	Domestic Assault/Threats to kill/Breach of Bail conditions	Resigned
Constable	Failure to perform control room duties	Resigned
Constable	Failure to perform control room duties	Resigned
Constable	Failure to perform control room duties	Resigned
Constable	Failure to perform control room duties	Resigned
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Constable	Failure to perform control room duties	Resigned
Constable	Failure to perform control room duties	Resigned
Constable	Failure to perform control room duties	Dismissal Without Notice
Constable	Failure to perform control room duties	Final Written Warning
Constable	Failure to perform control room duties	Dismissal Without Notice
Constable	Failure to perform control room duties	Resigned
Constable	Failure to perform control room duties	Resigned

April 2015 - March 2016

Rank	Reason	Outcome
Constable	Private firearms/ammunition not stored in accordance with licences.	Dismissal Without Notice
Sergeant	Domestic Assault/Threats to kill/Breach of Bail conditions	Resigned
Constable	Found guilty of assault / theft	Resigned
Constable	Irregularities over claims for allowances	Resigned

April 2016 – March 2017

Rank	Reason	Outcome
Constable	Irregularities over claims for allowances	Resigned
Constable	Arrested for common law assault and breach of peace	Resigned
Constable	Failure to Disclose/Making a False statement	Resigned
Constable	Failed with cause alcohol test	Resigned
Constable	Theft	Resigned
Constable	Arrested on suspicion of driving whilst under the influence of alcohol	Resigned

2. a) What was/is the longest suspension during the period April 2013 – March 2017? Please give the figure in working days, if possible, or state whichever alternative measure you are using.

The longest suspension was 515 working days

b) How much was paid to that officer during the suspension?

The Officer was paid £78,903.05 during this time period.

c) Please include details of the officer's rank, reason for suspension and outcome of suspension.'

Rank: Constable

Reason for Suspension: Arms and ammunition not stored in accordance with licences, further concerns regarding honesty and integrity.

Result: Dismissal Without Notice