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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE:POLICE ASSAULTS

We refer to your email dated 28 June 2017 which was acknowledged on the same date.

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:

- "1) To as close to today's date as possible from January 2012 (or as close to this date as possible), could you tell me how many Police Officers/ Police staff have reported being spat at while on duty.
- 2) How many Police officers/ police staff since January 2012 ((or as close to this date as possible),)to as close to today's date as possible have received medical treatment either at a hospital/ at the station/ a doctor surgery in relation to an incident involving being spat at, whilst on duty?"
- 3) From as close to today's date as possible from January 2012 (or as close to this date as possible), could you tell me how many Police Officers/ Police Staff have reported being bitten by another human being while on duty?"

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

"1) To as close to today's date as possible from January 2012 (or as close to this date as possible), could you tell me how many Police Officers/ Police staff have reported being spat at while on duty.

One officer has been spat at whilst on duty in 2016

2) How many Police officers/ police staff since January 2012 ((or as close to this date as possible),)to as close to today's date as possible have received medical treatment either at a hospital/ at the station/ a doctor surgery in relation to an incident involving being spat at, whilst on duty?

One officer received treatment at a doctor's surgery in 2016.

3) From as close to today's date as possible from January 2012 (or as close to this date as possible), could you tell me how many Police Officers/ Police Staff have reported being bitten by another human being while on duty?"

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, Ground Floor, Zone D, 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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