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Our Ref: eCase: FOI 2017/04234 RFI: 89/17
Date: 28 April 2017

By email [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: MDP OFFICER
COMPLEMENT IN WALES**

We refer to your email dated 30 March 2017 which was acknowledged on the 31 March 2017.

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

In your email of the 31 March 2017 you requested the following information:

“How many armed officers are assigned to Wales?”

Has there been an increase in the number of armed officers in and around London because of the horrific incident last week?”

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

How many armed officers are assigned to Wales?

The Ministry of Defence Police (MDP) has one armed officer based in Wales.

Please note, the MDP works together with the Home Office Police and Police Scotland to ensure the safety and security of the Ministry of Defence estate, staff and general public.

Has there been an increase in the number of armed officers in and around London because of the horrific incident last week?

Following the terrorist attack in Westminster on the 22 March 2017, the MDP provided support to

the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) operation in the Government Security Zone, with our officers working in partnership with MPS to provide an increased and highly visible armed policing presence.

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, 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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