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Dear ,

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: ARRESTS OR CHARGES REGARDING FOREIGN NATIONALS

We refer to your email dated 3 February 2017 which was acknowledged on the 3 February 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 3 February 2017 you requested the following information:

"Please disclose the number of arrests or charges which have been associated with nationals from the following seven countries in recent years, to the maximum extent possible within the statutory cost/time limits for dealing with Freedom of Information requests. (If you can only provide partial information that will be acceptable; please do not force me to submit an amended request a month from now.)

Iraq Syria Iran Libya Somalia Sudan Yemen"

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

The Ministry of Defence Police (MDP) holds one record regarding the above. In 2013 two individuals from Iran were arrested as they entered the country as illegal immigrants. The individuals were not charged and the case was handed over to the Border Agency accordingly.

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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