

# Ministry of Defence Police

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By email –

# FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: MOLLE BODY ARMOUR

We refer to your email dated 17 July 2017 which was acknowledged on the 19 July 2017.

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

In your email you requested the following information:

## "How many officers (to date) have complained about their Molle body armour? How many officers have received alternative lightweight armour? How many officers defected their old style armour before the molle was introduced?"

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.

# How many officers (to date) have complained about their Molle body armour?

No information held

## How many officers have received alternative lightweight armour?

120 sets of lightweight body armour have been issued 50 of which are being trialled by specialist units.

### How many officers defected their old style armour before the molle was introduced?

### 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, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, London SW1A 2HB (email <u>CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk</u>). 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.

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Yours sincerely

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