



Ministry
of Defence Police

MDP Secretariat
Room 126, Building 1070
MDP HQ Wethersfield
Braintree, Essex CM7 4AZ

Tel: 01371 85 [REDACTED]
Fax: 01371 854080
E-mail: MDP-FOI-DP@mod.uk

[REDACTED]

Our Ref: eCase: FOI 2017/03247 RFI: 75/17
Date: 7 April 2017

By email – [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: REPORTS OF MISSING CHILDREN

We refer to your email dated 10 March 2017 which was acknowledged on the 10 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 10 March 2017 you requested the following information:

“Please provide the following information relating to children aged under 16 in your force area:

- i) Total number of instances children were reported missing in 2014-2017.**
- ii) Number of instances children were reported missing from a children’s home in 2014 - 2017.**
- iii) Number of children reported missing who met your criteria as being at risk of CSE in period Apr 2014 - 2017.**
- iv) Total number of children who have been reported missing more than once between period 2014 - 2017.**
- v) Number of children who have been reported missing more than once from a children’s home between 2014- 2017.**
- vi) The amount of money spent by the force on missing children's cases between 2014- 2017?**
- vii) Number of outstanding missing children's cases between 2014 - 2017?”**

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 (MDP).

Please provide the following information relating to children aged under 16 in your force area:

i) Total number of instances children were reported missing in 2014-2017.

Year	Number of incidents
2014	3
2015	1
2016	8
2017 to date	0

ii) Number of instances children were reported missing from a children's home in 2014 - 2017.

No information held. The Ministry of Defence Police (MDP) is a civilian force employed to police the Ministry of Defence estate, staff and other interests. The MDP have no children's homes under their jurisdiction. We would expect cases of this nature to be dealt with by the local home department Police force or Police Scotland.

iii) Number of children reported missing who met your criteria as being at risk of CSE in period Apr 2014 - 2017.

No information held.

iv) Total number of children who have been reported missing more than once between period 2014 - 2017.

No information held.

v) Number of children who have been reported missing more than once from a children's home between 2014- 2017.

No information held. See answer to ii).

vi) The amount of money spent by the force on missing children's cases between 2014- 2017?

No information held.

vii) Number of outstanding missing children's cases between 2014 - 2017?

No cases are outstanding.

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

MDP Sec Data Protection and Freedom of Information Office