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By email – [REDACTED]  
Our Ref: eCase: FOI 2017/03003 RFI: 65/17  
Date: 24 March 2017

Dear [REDACTED]

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: CHILD SEX OFFENDERS**

We refer to your email dated 6 March 2017 which was acknowledged on the 6 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 6 March 2017 you requested the following information:

**“I am sending you this request under the Freedom of Information act concerning child sex offenders investigated by your force.**

- 1) Please state the number of child sex offenders that were
  - a) Investigated
  - b) Cautioned
  - c) Charged

**By your force in each of the following calendar years**

- i) 2014
- ii) 2015
- iii) 2016
- iv) 2017 to March 1st

2) For each case involving an investigation, caution or charge covered by question 1, for the time period 2014 – 1st March 2017, please state:

- a) The offence committed or alleged to have been committed
- b) The age of the offender at the commencement of the case
- c) The outcome of the case (E.g., no further action, caution, acquittal at trial, prosecution). If a prosecution resulted, please state the sentence laid down.”

On the 20 March 2017 you clarified your request with the following:

“The question relates to anyone who had committed a sexual offence against a person 18 or under, therefore a child sex offender.”

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

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Please see the below table:

Year	Suspected child sex offenders	Outcome
2014	0	-
2015	0	-
2016	2	1 cautioned, 0 charged
2017 to date	0	-

2) For each case involving an investigation, caution or charge covered by question 1, for the time period 2014 – 1st March 2017, please state:

a) The offence committed or alleged to have been committed

- 1. Sexual activity with a female child under 16 – under 18 offender
- 2. Sexual activity with a female child under 16 – over 18 offender

b) The age of the offender at the commencement of the case

- 1. 15 years old
- 2. 18 years old

**c) The outcome of the case (E.g., no further action, caution, acquittal at trial, prosecution). If a prosecution resulted, please state the sentence laid down.**

1. Community Resolution Order
2. Adult Caution

The Ministry of Defence Police (MDP) takes allegations of this nature very seriously and all matters are thoroughly investigated.

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](mailto: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**