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Dear

By email –

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: BRIBERY OF PUBLIC/PRIVATE PERSONNEL

We refer to your email dated 02 February 2017 which was acknowledged on the 02 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 you requested the following information:

"My Freedom of Information Act request concerns the Public Bodies Corrupt Practices Act 1889 (section 1), the Prevention of Corruption Act 1906 (section 1) and the Bribery Act 2010 (sections 1, 2, 6), and specifically:

Whether the Ministry of Defence Police and any of the divisions within its area of responsibility has (a) received allegations and (b) recorded any offences investigated under the above statutes in relation to the bribery of public and/or private sector personnel.

If any offences have been received, investigated or recorded, I would be grateful if these could be provided by (i) year of reporting and recording, (ii) nature of offence (specifically, whether involving public or private officials, and whether domestic or transnational), and (iii) outcome of the case (charge, caution, sanction, no further action, etc.).

I'm looking for information relating to all cases on record since the coming into force of the included statutes.

Ideally the data range would be: 30 August 1889 - 11 January 2017."

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 note, the Ministry of Defence Police (MDP) only holds information dating back to1999.

All allegations of bribery and corruption are treated with the upmost seriousness and law enforcement action is taken where appropriate.

Please see below tables in response to your request:-

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The P	The Prevention of Corruption Act 1906				
Year	Nature of Offence	Public or Private Officials	Domestic or Transnational	Outcome	
2001	Allegation by a rival company that a contracted company bribed MOD	Private	Domestic	Undetected. Investigation complete	
2001	Service Personnel allowed private car hire firm to park vehicles in barracks	Public and private	Domestic	Referred to RMP	
2001	Company believed to have submitted false invoices for labour supplied to MOD project	Public and private	Domestic	Guilty verdicts at court varying from 12 months to 3 and half years imprisonment	
2002	Involved the purchase of vehicle spares using a local agent and inflating the prices for goods supplied	Public	Domestic	Undetected. Investigation complete	
2002	Accepted hospitality and has awarded contracts unfairly to vendors.	Unknown	Unknown	No crime	
2002	Allegedly received goods from contractors to ensure that the contract of work is handed to them	Public and Private	Domestic	No crime	
2002	Allegedly received goods from contractors to ensure that the contract of work is handed to them	Public and Private	Domestic	No crime	
2002	Gave gifts of money as an inducement or reward	Public and Private	Domestic	No crime	

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2002	Alleged to have received gifts for awarding external contracts	Public and Private	Domestic	No crime
2002	Money given in return for contract (6 Offences recorded)	Public and Private	Domestic	2 years imprisonment
2002	Gave gifts of money as an inducement or reward.	Public and Private	Domestic and transnational	Offences changed to theft
2002	Gave gifts of money as an inducement or reward.	Public and Private	Domestic	Handed over to other agency
2002	Gave gifts of money as an inducement or reward	Public and Private	Domestic	NFA
2003	Gave gifts of money as an inducement or reward	Public and Private	Domestic and Transnational	No crime
2003	Suspect has been favouring contracts in return for receiving gifts/hospitality for these favours	Public and Private	Domestic	Adult Caution
2004	Gave gifts as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic and Transnational	Undetected. Investigation complete
2004	Gave gifts of money as an inducement or reward	Public and Private	Domestic and Transnational	Not guilty verdicts at court
2004	Alleged to have received payment in return for awarding work	Public and Private	Domestic	No crime
2004	Gifts and money received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	No crime

2005	Award of a training contract to a company employing spouse as a consultant and in doing so concealed relationship and identity for financial gain	Public and Private	Domestic	No crime
2005	Contractors submitted inflated claims for services	Public and Private	Domestic	3 and 1 years custody suspended
2005	Gifts and money received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic and Transnational	Handed over to other agency
2005	Gifts and money received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	NFA
2005	Money received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	1 year imprisonment suspended 2 year
2006	Tender submitted to the MOD without making anyone aware that they were an employee	Public	Domestic	NFA
2006	Company director supplying own products to public contracts	Public and Private	Domestic	NFA
2006	Gifts and money received as an inducement or reward for contract (2 Offences recorded)	Public and Private	Transnational	Undetected. Investigation complete
2007	Gifts received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	Adult Caution
2007	Irregularities into the issue and management of contract resulting in possible overpayment to the MOD and works not being completed to a satisfactory standard	Public and Private	Domestic	Closed no crime
2007	Meeting in relation to partial failure of audits. Asked auditor to move date of audit to avoid incurring penalty charge.	Private	Domestic	Closed no crime
2007	Gifts received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	Closed no crime
2007	Gifts received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	Internal discipline

2007	Pressured to use a company where the workmanship[was not up to the expected standards	Public and Private	Domestic	Undetected
2007	Company director supplying own products to public contracts	Public and Private	Domestic	Internal discipline
2007	Gifts received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	Internal investigation
2007	Gifts received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	NFA
2007	Gifts received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	Closed no crime
2007	Allegation of corruption regarding contract	PUBLIC	Domestic	Closed no crime
2008	Gifts received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	NFA
2008	Company director supplying own products to public contracts	Public and Private	Domestic	Closed no crime
2008	Gifts received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	NFA
2008	Gifts received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	CPS NFA
2009	Gifts received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	CPS NFA
2010	Gifts received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	NFA
2010	Contractor supplied invoices and false information to MOD in order to receive payment.	Public and Private	Domestic	No crime
2010	Tender process being manipulated to the benefit of a contractor	Public and Private	Domestic	No crime
2011	Gifts received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	NFA
2011	Gifts and money received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	NFA

2011	Service personnel in charge of contracts awarded to a civilian company in return for payments.	Public and Private	Domestic and Transnational	NFA
2011	MOD Contractor received monies from a contractor to take family on holiday	Public and Private	Domestic	NFA
2012	Gifts and money received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	NFA
2012	Money received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	Found Not Guilty in court
2013	Contractor responsible for all asbestos related work had been fabricating the presence of asbestos in buildings in order to increase the costs of work carried out by contractors	Private	Domestic	No crime
2014	Allegation of corruption regarding contract	Private	Domestic	NFA
2014	Gifts received as an inducement or reward for contract	Public and Private	Domestic	NFA
2014	Allegation of corruption regarding contract	Public and Private	Domestic	No crime
2015	Information provided to assist a company bidding for a contract	Public and Private	Domestic	NFA

Bribery Act 2010					
Year	Nature of Offence	Public or Private Officials	Domestic or Transnational	Outcome	
2012	Allegation of Auction rigging involving sale of surplus MOD Stock	Private	Domestic	NFA	
2014	Representatives made payments to locally based businesses who may be adversely affected by facility being built in the area to ensure no opposition	Public	Domestic	Passed to Local HOPF	

2015 A	Accepted holiday as an	Public	Domestic	Closed,

	incentive to place an order.			unresolved
2015	Individual on a tender assessment panel also named on the tender bids as a resource	Public	Domestic	No Crime
2016	Received gifts from contractors	Public	Domestic	Closed insufficient evidence

The Public Bodies Corrupt Act 1889					
Year	Nature of Offence	Public or Private Officials	Domestic or Transnational	Outcome	
2011	Contract awarded outwith the proper tendering practices and procedures	Private and Public	Domestic	Internal discipline	

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 Zone D, 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. 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 (<u>http://www.ico.org.uk</u>).

Yours sincerely

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