## CIVIL NUCLEAR CONSTABULARY

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Dear

I am writing in response to your request for information regarding the below. Your request has been handled under Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. In accordance with Section 1(1) (a) of the Act I hereby confirm that the CNC/CNPA does hold information of the type specified.

1.

- a) How many police officers, including special constables, were suspended on full pay in each of the last four financial years (April 2016- March 2017, April 2015 March 2016, April 2014-2015, April 2013- March2014)? If a police officer's suspension crosses two financial years, please include them in every year the suspension was ongoing.
- b) What was the overall sum paid by the force to the suspended officers whilst they were suspended during each of the financial years outlined above?
- c) For each of the officers suspended during the period April 2013 March 2017 please provide details of each officer's rank, reason for suspension, and outcome of suspension.

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- a) What was/is the longest suspension during the period April 2013 March 2017? Please give the figure in working days, if possible, or state whichever alternative measure you are using
- b) How much was paid to that officer during the suspension?

PC

Suspended 17.08.16 - 22.11.16

Reason: Public Interest

Outcome: Final Written Warning

Inspector

07.10.2016 - still remains suspended

Reason: Public Interest and interference with witnesses

Outcome: Case ongoing

PS

Suspended Oct 16 to Aug 17

Reason: Public Interest and interference with witnesses

Outcome: Resigned

PC

Suspended 05.12.16 to April 2017

Reason: Public Interest Outcome: Words of Advice

PS

Suspended March 2017 - June 17

Reason: Public Interest and interference with witnesses

Outcome: Final Written Warning

All other information is exempt under Section 40 (personal information) of the Freedom of Information Act. As the information constitutes third party data, Section 40(2) provides that personal data about third parties is exempt information if one of the conditions set out in Section 40(3) is satisfied. Under the Freedom of Information Act, disclosure of this information would breach the fair processing principle contained in the Data Protection Act (DPA), where it would be unfair to the people to have their personal data released under these circumstances. This exemption is absolute with no public interest test necessary. If this information was to be released, due to the small number of Officers that have been suspended they could be easily identified.

The Civil Nuclear Constabulary is a specialist armed police service dedicated to the civil nuclear industry, with Operational Policing Units based at 10 civil nuclear sites in England and Scotland and over 1400 police officers and staff. The Constabulary headquarters is at Culham in Oxfordshire. The civil nuclear industry forms part of the UK's critical national infrastructure and the role of the Constabulary contribute to the overall framework of national security.

The purpose of the Constabulary is to protect licensed civil nuclear sites and to safeguard nuclear material in transit. The Constabulary works in partnership with the appropriate Home Office Police Force or Police Scotland at each site. Policing services required at each site are agreed with nuclear operators in accordance with the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003 and ratified by the UK regulator, the Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR). Armed policing services are required at most civil nuclear sites in the United Kingdom. The majority of officers in the Constabulary are Authorised Firearms Officers.

The Constabulary is recognised by the National Police Chiefs' Council (NPCC) and the Association of Chief Police Officers in Scotland (ACPOS). Through the National Coordinated Policing Protocol, the Constabulary has established memorandums of understanding with the local police forces at all 10 Operational Policing Units. Mutual support and assistance enable the Constabulary to maintain focus on its core role.

We take our responsibilities under the Freedom of Information Act seriously but, if you feel your request has not been properly handled or you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you have the right to complain. We will investigate the matter and endeavour to reply within 3 – 6 weeks. You should write in the first instance to:

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If you are still dissatisfied following our internal review, you have the right, under section 50 of the Act, to complain directly to the Information Commissioner. Before considering your complaint, the Information Commissioner would normally expect you to have exhausted the complaints procedures provided by the CNPA.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

FOI Compliance Team (complaints)
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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SK9 5AF

If you require any further assistance in connection with this request please contact us at our address below:

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Yours sincerely

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