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Date: 12 April 2018

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Dear [REDACTED]

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE:  
OFFENCES INVOLVING KNIVES OR BLADES**

I refer to your e-mail of 27 March 2018, which was acknowledged on the same day.

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

In your e-mail you requested the following information:

- “1a. How many offences involving knives or bladed instruments were recorded between 1 January 2017 and 31 March 2017?**
- 1b. How many offences involving knives or bladed instruments were recorded between 1 January 2016 and 31 March 2016?**
- 1c. How many offences involving knives or bladed instruments were recorded between 1 January 2015 and 31 March 2015?**
- 1d. How many offences involving knives or bladed instruments were recorded between 1 January 2014 and 31 March 2014?**
  
- 2. Please list the names, gender and ages (if known) of any victims of homicide involving knives or bladed instruments during the above periods.**
  
- 3. Please state the overall number of victims of crimes involving knives or bladed instruments during those periods, regardless of whether they were injured or not.**
  
- 4. Please group the victims in question 3 into age ranges (12 and under, 13 to 16, 17 to 19, 20 to 24, 25 to 29, 30 to 34, 35 to 39 and 40 and over) and gender.”**

A search for information has now been completed by the Ministry of Defence Police and I can confirm that we do hold some information in scope of your request.

**1a. How many offences involving knives or bladed instruments were recorded between 1 January 2017 and 31 March 2017?**

1 – Possession of Offensive Weapon in a Public Place

**1b. How many offences involving knives or bladed instruments were recorded between 1 January 2016 and 31 March 2016?**

0

**1c. How many offences involving knives or bladed instruments were recorded between 1 January 2015 and 31 March 2015?**

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**1d. How many offences involving knives or bladed instruments were recorded between 1 January 2014 and 31 March 2014?**

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**2. Please list the names, gender and ages (if known) of any victims of homicide involving knives or bladed instruments during the above periods.**

Not Applicable

**3. Please state the overall number of victims of crimes involving knives or bladed instruments during those periods, regardless of whether they were injured or not.**

Not Applicable

**4. Please group the victims in question 3 into age ranges (12 and under, 13 to 16, 17 to 19, 20 to 24, 25 to 29, 30 to 34, 35 to 39 and 40 and over) and gender.**

Not Applicable

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

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Yours sincerely

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