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Dear [REDACTED]

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE:
COMPLAINTS AGAINST MDP BREACH CODE B PACE**

I refer to your e-mail of 22 May 2018, which was acknowledged on the 23 May 2018. 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:

In the MOD Police Committee Annual Report for 2016/7 under Appendix 1 to Annex A, it gives a breakdown of complaints against the MOD Police

Under the section 'Breach Code B PACE (search of premises/seizure of property) it shows three complaints for the period.

Can you please advise the number of complaints that have been made, just for this category (Breach Code B PACE (search of premises/seizure of property), but expanded to the period June 2016 to date (or to the last available statistics).

For these complaints, I would like to know how many complaints related to the seizure of firearms, and, if any, the type and calibre of firearms involved, and clarification of whether or not they were live firing, or deactivated firearms.

Additional information would be appreciated as to why a complaint was made regarding the firearms seized."

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

"Can you please advise the number of complaints that have been made, just for this category (Breach Code B PACE (search of premises/seizure of property), but expanded to the period June 2016 to date (or to the last available statistics)."

There have been six complaint cases under the Breach Code B PACE between 01/06/2016 – 04/06/2018.

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One of the B PACE cases recorded between 01/06/2016 – 04/06/2018 involved the seizure of a firearm. This particular case involved the seizure of a Rifle (calibre unknown) It is not known whether the firearm seized is live firing or deactivated.

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

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely

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