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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: SEIZURE OF ASSETS FROM CRIMINALS

I acknowledge your clarification email dated 26 July in respect of Q4 for cash and asset seizures under POCA.

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:

"The total value of assets seized from criminals by the force in the last financial year (2017-2018).

Please also provide the total value of assets seized from criminals by the force in each of the four preceding financial years.

For each year, please provide a breakdown which shows the value of cash seizures, asset seizures and confiscations within this total.

Please can you also provide me full details of the force's largest five cash seizures and asset seizures in the past year, including the total value of the seizure, what was seized, and from whom it was seized."

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.

Please see the tables below:

Assets seized
2013-2014 - £284,496
2014-2015 - £23,526.46
2015-2016 - £323,644.07
2016-2017 - £4,294,698.49
2017-2018 - £2,563,669.71

Cash seizure	
2013-2014 – Nil	
2014-2015 – Nil	
2015-2016 – Nil	
2016-2017 – Nil	
2017-2018 – Nil	

Confiscation
2013-2014 – £33,391.86
2014-2015 – £356,699.67
2015-2016 – £132,975.83
2016-2017 – £48,766.91
2017-2018 - £74,343.46

In respect of Question 4, there were no cash seizures and no asset seizures under POCA.

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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