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<u>FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE:</u> ALLOCATION OF EXPENDITURE

I refer to your e-mail dated 12 October 2018, which was acknowledged on 15 October 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:

"wanted to know how much expenditure had been allocated for the financial year 2019/20 to the purchase of (a) Riot Batons; (b) Personal Protective Equipment for use in Riot Control operations; (c) Riot Shields; and (d) Non-Porous Bags used for the storage and transportation of corpses?

She would be grateful if you could provide this information for your force, and set out:

- 1. How this compares to the expenditure allocated for the purchase of the same items by your force in Financial Years (a) 2018/19; (b) 2017/18; (c) 2016/17; and (d) 2015/16?; and
- 2. What additional financial support your force has received from the Home Office to cope with any increase in these costs?"

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.

How much expenditure had been allocated for the financial year 2019/20 to the purchase of (a) Riot Batons; (b) Personal Protective Equipment for use in Riot Control operations; (c) Riot Shields; and (d) Non-Porous Bags used for the storage and transportation of corpses?

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1. How this compares to the expenditure allocated for the purchase of the same items by your force in Financial Years (a) 2018/19; (b) 2017/18; (c) 2016/17; and (d) 2015/16?;

The overall allocation for this type of equipment is as follows:

FY19/20	Protester/Public Order Equipment	£7,140
FY18/19	Protester/Public Order Equipment	£7,000
FY17/18	Protester/Public Order Equipment	£7,000

Note: Prior to FY17/18 there was no specific allocation.

2. What additional financial support your force has received from the Home Office to cope with any increase in these costs?"

No information held. No financial support has been received from the Home Office for these costs. The Ministry of Defence Police are funded by MOD.

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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