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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: APP VETTING

We refer to your email dated 14 December 2018 which was acknowledged on the 19 December 2018.

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

In your email you requested the following information:

"The following questions refer to the APP on Vetting.

- 1. Have all officers and staff who joined prior to the adoption of the national vetting policy in 2006 now been retrospectively vetted?
- a. If the answer is no, please state the number who have not been retrospectively vetted.
- 2. How many officers and staff have currently not been re-vetted at a clearance level of RV after ten years' service?"

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

1. Have all officers and staff who joined prior to the adoption of the national vetting policy in 2006 now been retrospectively vetted?

No

a. If the answer is no, please state the number who have not been retrospectively vetted.

1711 officers who were in post prior to recruit vetting commencing in 2014.

2. How many officers and staff have currently not been re-vetted – at a clearance level of RV – after ten years' service.

No officers have yet been retrospectively vetted as they have not reached the relevant point at which repeat vetting takes place. In addition, it should be noted that all MDP officers are subject to security vetting for the puposes of their employment with the Ministry of Defence.

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Yours sincerely

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