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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: POLICE OFFICER DRIVER TRAINING

I refer to your e-mail of 1 January 2019, which was acknowledged on the 2 January 2019.

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:

- “1. Are all MOD Police officers Standard response trained or what percentage are standard response trained?”**
- 2. If not standard response trained what level of driver training do they receive and what percentage of officers have received this training, how does this comply with national standards?”**
- 3. Are all MOD Police Officers qualified in an emergency situation to use Blue Emergency Lights to attend to an incident?”**
- 4. If not what is MDP risk assessment for officers to attend an life/death incident in an emergency which would require use of blue lights?”**

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.

- 1. Are all MOD Police officers Standard response trained or what percentage are standard response trained?**

13% of Ministry of Defence Police Officers are standard response trained.

2. If not standard response trained what level of driver training do they receive and what percentage of officers have received this training, how does this comply with national standards?

In the Ministry of Defence Police to drive a patrol vehicle, this includes a vehicle displaying blue lights, all personnel must have undertaken a Basic Driving course. This is in line with National Police Driver Training Authorised Professional Practice.

3. Are all MOD Police Officers qualified in an emergency situation to use Blue Emergency Lights to attend to an incident?

No

4. If not what is MDP risk assessment for officers to attend an life/death incident in an emergency which would require use of blue lights?

The current Authorised Professional Practice, or APP on road Policing, offers the following advice for basic drivers, details are in the attached link.

<https://www.app.college.police.uk/app-content/road-policing-2/>

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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