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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: SEXUAL ASSAULTS ON WOMEN OVER 60.

We refer to your email dated 4 January 2019 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on the 7 January 2019.

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:

"I would like to know how many reports of:

a) sexual harassment

b) sexual assault

c) rape

d) domestic abuse/violence

e) how many requests for restraining orders

Of/from women aged 60 and over there have been in your force area - I AM SPECIFICALLY KEEN TO KNOW THESE STATISTICS IN RELATION TO THESE WOMEN'S PARTNERS.

I am aware of the data protection laws and concerns surrounding identification. However because victims of sexual assault are entitled to automatic anonymity, there is no reason why you should be unable to answer this question. If, for some reason, you're unable to provide this information specifically in relation to these women's partners, please call me. If you are unable to provide this specific element of information, please answer the question as fully as you can.

I would like this information broken down by annual year for every year from 2013 to 2018. If it is possible, I would also like the ages of the women. If you are unable to

provide this specific element of information regarding age, please answer the question as fully as you can."

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.

2013	-	0
2014	-	1 report of domestic abuse of woman (aged 64)
2015	-	0
2016	-	0
2017	-	0
2018	-	0

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In respect of the above – No Information is held.

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).

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Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office