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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: CRIMINAL OFFENCES BETWEEN FAMILY MEMBERS.

We refer to your email dated 16 May 2019 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on the 20 May 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:

"Please can you tell me on how many occasions over the past three years a criminal offence between two family members (i.e. the alleged victim has reported a family member to the police for an action - either physical violence or abuse of any kind - against them) has been reported to the force but the case was ultimately dropped because the victim failed to cooperate.

For each incident please can you list the offence the person was accused of, the date it was reported and the family relationship between the alleged victim and the accused."

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.

November 2017 – Actual Bodily Harm – Stepfather(victim) – Stepson December 2017 – Actual Bodily Harm – Wife(victim) – Husband

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.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at https://ico.org.uk/.

Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office