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Dear [REDACTED]

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: MENTAL HEALTH.**

We refer to your email dated 11 June 2019 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on the 12 June 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:

- “1) The total number of staff in the MoDP, divided by gender, for the financial years 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019.
- 2) How many of those requested mental health-related support in the financial years 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019?
- 3) Of those, how many received mental health-related support in the financial years 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019?
- 4) How many deaths by suicide of staff in the MoDP have occurred in the financial years 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019?”

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. The total number of staff in the MoDP, divided by gender, for the financial years 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019.

As at 31 March 2017

- Total number of police officers – 2588 (2306 Male and 282 Female)

- Total number of non-uniform civilian staff – 209 (75 Male and 134 Female)

#### As at 31 March 2018

- Total number of police officers – 2558 (2276 Male and 282 Female)
- Total number of non-uniform civilian staff – 209 (73 Male and 136 Female)

#### As at 31 March 2019

- Total number of police officers – 2543 (2259 Male and 284 Female)
- Total number of non-uniform civilian staff – 227 (78 Male and 149 Female)

### **2. How many of those requested mental health-related support in the financial years 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019?**

No Information held – Requests for Mental Health support from police officers and non-uniform civilian staff are a personal matter and as such this information is not recorded.

### **3. Of those, how many received mental health-related support in the financial years 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019?**

No Information held – See above.

### **4) How many deaths by suicide of staff in the MoDP have occurred in the financial years 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019?"**

No Information held – The Ministry of Defence does not record suicides specifically. Incidents of suicide are recorded as 'Death in Service'.

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Yours sincerely

**MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office**

