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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: MDP SENIOR OFFICERS ALCOHOL AND DRUG TESTING.

We refer to your email dated 17 November 2019 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on the 18 November 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. Can I requested how many officers in the MDP are of the rank of Inspector and above.**
- 2. Can I request how many of these ranks have been tested for alcohol and drugs since the inception of the policy.**
- 3. Can I request what percentage of officers tested were below the rank of inspector and what percentage were above.”**

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 MDP currently has a total of 139 officers of the rank of Inspector and above
2. Since drug and alcohol testing was introduced by the MDP in February 2011 a total of 130 tests have been carried out on officers in the rank of Inspector and above.
3. Since drug and alcohol testing was introduced by the MDP in February 2011, 94% of the total number of tests conducted were on officers in ranks below Inspector. 6% of the tests conducted were on officers in the rank of Inspector and above.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

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Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office