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Dear [REDACTED]

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION – HOW MANY ARRESTS HAVE THE NISGS MADE SINCE ITS INCEPTION

Further to our email dated 29 January, I can confirm that your request has been considered under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI (A)), and the process is now complete.

You asked for the following:

“How many arrests have the NISGS made since its inception? If this information is not available, then how many arrests in the last 5 years?”

The Northern Ireland Security Guard Service (NISGS) primary role is the provision of security to the Defence Estate in Northern Ireland. If necessary and in the course of their duty a NISGS officer is required to attend an incident on site, they can make a citizen's arrest and detain an individual until the Police Service of Northern Ireland arrive and assume responsibility for the situation. There are no records held in respect of arrests made by NISGS Personnel.

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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