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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email received by the Ministry Of Defence on 12th June 2020 requesting the following information:

- *“How many soldiers and officers are currently serving in the Royal Military Police.*
- *How many soldiers and officers in the Royal Military Police are female.*
- *How many soldiers and officers in the Royal Military Police are reservists.*
- *How many airmen and officers are currently serving in the Royal Air Force Police.*
- *How many airmen and officers in the Royal Air Force Police are female.*
- *How many airmen and officers in the Royal Air Force Police are reservists.”*

We are treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

We have now completed a search for the information you requested and I can confirm that the information in scope of your request is held.

As to part 1, 2 and 3 of your request the data is held and is contained in Table 1.

As to part 4, 5 and 6 of your request the data is held and is contained in Table 2.

Table 1: The strength of soldiers and officers serving in the Royal Military Police, as at April 2020

As at 1 April 2020		
Army Regulars		
Army Provost Officers	150	
<i>Of which are female</i>		10
Army Police	1350	
<i>Of which are female</i>		330

Army Reserves		
Army Provost Officers	80	
Army Police	430	

Notes:

1. The Army regulars figures are for the Trade Trained Regular Army only and therefore exclude Gurkhas, Full Time Reserve Service, Mobilised Reserves, Army Reserve and all other Reserves, but includes those personnel that have transferred from GURTAM to UKTAP.
2. Reserve Figures are for Trained FR20 Personnel
3. Personnel with a Paid Rank of Colonel and above have been attributed as STAFF and therefore been excluded from these figures.

Table 2: The strength of airmen and officers serving in the Royal Air Force Police, as at April 2020.

As at 1 April 2020		
RAF Regulars		
RAF Provost Officers	190	
<i>Of which are female</i>		40
RAF Police	1020	
<i>Of which are female</i>		250
RAF Reserves		
RAF Provost Officers	40	
RAF Police	160	

Notes

1. RAF Regular Strength are Trained and does not included Full Time Reserve Service (FTRS).
2. RAF Reserves Strength are Trained, includes Part time Volunteer Reserves, Called Out, Additional Duties Commitment and FTRS

Figures have been rounded to the nearest 10 in line with disclosure control policy. Figures ending in 5 are rounded to the nearest 20 to avoid bias, 5 or fewer is represented by '~', 0 is represented by '-'.

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Yours sincerely,

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