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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: AGENCY STAFF.

We refer to your email dated 9 March 2020 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on the same date.

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:

"I am conducting some market research into Police forces and your usage of agency staff. I would like to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act please:

1) How many temporary agency staff were employed by the force in the Financial Year 2018-2019?

2) What was the total spend on agency staff in the Financial Year 2018-2019?

- 3) How many agency staff does the force forecasted it will require for the Financial Year 2019 -2020?
- 4) What is the forecasted spend for Agency Staff for the Financial Year 2019 -2020?
- 5) What is the forecasted spend for Agency Staff for the Financial Year 2020 -2021?
- 6) Does the force have a contract to supply temporary staff in place currently? If so who is contracted to supply temporary staff?

When is this due to be retendered?

- 7) Does the force operate any Preferred Supplier Agreement for agency staff? If so how many suppliers are part of the agreement?
- 8) Has the force used any employment agency to fill any permanent or fixed term vacancies in the financial year 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) 4

- 2) £21,006
- 3) No Information held
- 4) £42,809
- 5) £900,00 This budget allocation is to cover existing vacancies in specialist posts.

6) No Information held - Note: The Ministry of Defence Police, as part of the Ministry of Defence use pan-Government Contingent Labour framework contracts to meet our requirement for temporary staff

- 7) No Information held
- 8) No

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).

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Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office