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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: POLICE FORCE ETHNIC BREAKDOWN.

We refer to your e-mail of 15 June 2020, which was acknowledged on the 16 June 2020.

We are treating your e-mail as a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000).

In your e-mail you requested the following information:

- “1. Please provide an ethnic breakdown of your force in each of the following years: 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 2020.**
- 2. Please provide an ethnic breakdown of serving police officers who have been investigated in each of the following years: 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 2020.**
- 3. Please provide an ethnic breakdown of officers dismissed from your force in each of the following years: 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 2020.”**

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.

| Ethnic breakdown | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| White | 2,107 | 2,063 | 2,014 | 2,016 | 1,944 | 1,994 |
| Other Ethnicity | 45 | 50 | 54 | 58 | 61 | 71 |
| Choose Not to Declare | 175 | 176 | 177 | 177 | 170 | 166 |
| No Record | 143 | 250 | 304 | 324 | 350 | 439 |

2.

| Ethnic breakdown of officers investigated | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| White | 59 | 62 | 49 | 45 | 34 | 20 |
| Not recorded | 17 | 14 | 9 | 13 | 10 | 3 |
| Asian | 0 | 0 | 0 | ~ | 0 | 0 |
| Black | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| other | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

3.

| Ethnic breakdown of dismissed officers | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| White | 5 | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| Other Ethnicity | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ~ | ~ |
| Choose Not to Declare | 0 | 0 | ~ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| No Record | 0 | ~ | 0 | ~ | 0 | 0 |

Please Note: To protect personal information under S40 we have used a tilde to represent those figures less than 5.

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.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely

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