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Dear

# FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: REVENGE PORN.

We refer to your email dated 14 May 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:

"1) Please could you reveal how many crime reports of "revenge porn" or "image based sexual abuse" or "intimate image abuse" (distributing private sexual image of someone without their consent and with the intention of causing them distress) have been made since the 23rd March 2020. Please could you break down the numbers by weekly periods, if possible.

2) Please could you reveal how many people have been charged with the offence of "Revenge Porn" since the 23rd March 2020. Please break down this figure to show how many people received cautions.

3) Please could you break down the victims of "revenge porn" since the 23rd March 2020 by gender and into the following age groups 0-9, 10-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59 and 60+.

4) Please could you provide how many crime reports of "revenge porn" or "image based sexual abuse" or "intimate image abuse" (distributing private sexual image of someone without their consent and with the intention of causing them distress) have been made in the same complete period as you are able provide for (1) for the years 2019, 2018 and 2017. Please could you break down the victims of "revenge porn" during these periods by gender and into the following age groups 0-9, 10-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59 and 60+.

5) Please could you provide how many crime reports of "revenge porn" or "image based sexual abuse" or "intimate image abuse" (distributing private sexual image of someone without their consent and with the intention of causing them distress) have been made in the last 5 years, broken down by year."

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.

Please see the attached document.

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**

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION RESPONSE

## Question 1:

Please could you reveal how many crime reports of "revenge porn" or "image based sexual abuse" or "intimate image abuse" (distributing private sexual image of someone without their consent and with the intention of causing them distress) have been made since the 23rd March 2020. Please could you break down the numbers by weekly periods, if possible

#### Response: Nil return

#### Question 2:

Please could you reveal how many people have been charged with the offence of "Revenge Porn" since the 23rd March 2020. Please break down this figure to show how many people received cautions.

#### Response: N/A

#### Question 3:

Please could you break down the victims of "revenge porn" since the 23rd March 2020 by gender and into the following age groups 0-9, 10-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59 and 60+.

#### Response: N/A

## Questions 4 & 5:

Please could you provide how many crime reports of "revenge porn" or "image based sexual abuse" or "intimate image abuse" (distributing private sexual image of someone without their consent and with the intention of causing them distress) have been made in the same complete period as you are able provide for (1) for the years 2019, 2018 and 2017.

Please could you break down the victims of "revenge porn" during these periods by gender and into the following age groups 0-9, 10-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59 and 60+.

Please could you provide how many crime reports of "revenge porn" or "image based sexual abuse" or "intimate image abuse" (distributing private sexual image of someone without their consent and with the intention of causing them distress) have been made in the last 5 years, broken down by year. "

# Response:

2015 - No Offences recorded

## 2016

Age of Victim	Gender of Victim	Outcome
30-39	Male	No Further Action

## 2017

Age of Victim	Gender of Victim	Outcome
10-19	Male	Community Resolution
30-39	Male	No Further Action – victim failed to support Police investigation.

# 2018

Age of Victim	Gender of Victim	Outcome
10-19	Female	Community Resolution

## 2019 - No Offences recorded

# 2020

Age of Victim	Gender of Victim	Outcome
10-19	Female	No Further
		Action-Not in the
		public interest.