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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: TASER USE.

We refer to your email dated 25 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 I ask for the number of occasions in which a conducted energy device (i.e. a taser) was used in an incident by police staff between April 1st 2019 and March 31st 2020?**
- 2. Could you state in how many of these incidents the CED/taser was discharged and how many times it was not discharged?**
- 3. Could you also provide the same data for the time period April 1st 2018 to March 31st 2019 and also April 1st 2017 to March 31st 2018?”**

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. Please could I ask for the number of occasions in which a conducted energy device (i.e. a taser) was used in an incident by police staff between April 1st 2019 and March 31st 2020?**

2. Could you state in how many of these incidents the CED/taser was discharged and how many times it was not discharged?

4 discharged
12 not discharged.

3. Could you also provide the same data for the time period April 1st 2018 to March 31st 2019 and also April 1st 2017 to March 31st 2018?

01/04/18 to 31/03/19.
Total of 10 (includes drawn, aimed, red dotted or fired)
0 discharged.
10 not discharged

01/04/17 to 31/03/18.
Total of 5 (includes drawn, aimed, red dotted or fired)
1 discharged.
4 not discharged

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Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office