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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: USE OF SIREN AND/OR BLUE LIGHTS.

We refer to your email dated 14 August 2020 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on 17 August 2020.

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 follow on information:

How many known incidents have there been in the last 5yrs where staff members have used the siren and/or blue lights on an emergency vehicle when there was no legitimate reason for doing so

How many of the known incidents lead to any sort of formal disciplinary action or informal action

Please give me the first five examples in each year where a staff member has used the siren and blue lights where there was no reason for doing so

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.

Year	Number of incidents	Outcome
2020	1	Officer resigned from the Force. A Former officer hearing was held and concluded that the officer would have been dismissed if they had still been serving in the Force.

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