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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: FIREARMS.

We refer to your email dated 22 October 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 and after your clarification of 'Firearm', you requested the following information:

- "1. Please list, including location and offence, all crimes committed by people in possession of UK police or British military Firearm, in each of the last three full calendar years, broken down by year, along with 2020 to date.**
- 2. How many UK police or British military issued Firearm have been recovered (not including amnesties or surrenders) by your force, in each of the last three full calendar years, broken down by year, along with 2020 to date."**

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.

Question 1:

Year	Location	Offence
2017	Nil	Nil
2018	Nil	Nil
2019	Nil	Nil
Up to 06/11/2020	1 x Scotland	Possession of a Firearm with intent to endanger life

Question 2:

Year	Number of Firearms recovered
2017	Nil
2018	17*
2019	1
Up to 06/11/2020	Nil

*Please note that these firearms were of the type used by the UK armed forces. The associated criminal proceedings concluded in 2019 and followed a MOD Police investigation that resulted in the recovery of the firearms listed.

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