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Dear

Thank you for your email of 11th January 2021 requesting the following information:

“Please could you provide the following under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

1. How many times has the Ministry referred suspicions / allegations of corruption / bribery to law enforcement authorities since 25 October 2016?
2. Please provide any relevant statistics or data that is not exempt, which might include a breakdown of the types of allegations and whether the companies are based in the UK or overseas.

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD), and I can confirm that MOD holds information on the subject you have requested.

Source - Fraud Defence:

Q1. How many times has the Ministry referred suspicions / allegations of corruption / bribery to law enforcement authorities since 25 October 2016?

There have been 18 cases that are recorded under the category “Bribery & Corruption” referred to law enforcement authorities since 25 October 2016.

Q2. Please provide any relevant statistics or data that is not exempt, which might include a breakdown of the types of allegations and whether the companies are based in the UK or overseas.

Of the 18 cases, recorded under the category of “Bribery & Corruption”, 5 related to matters overseas and 13 related to UK based companies.

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If you have any queries about this request do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

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