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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: COVID VIOLATIONS BY POLICE OFFICERS.

We refer to your email dated 26 March 2021 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on 29 April 2021.

In your email you requested the following information:

In the time period from 1.3.20 to the date of this e-mail being logged by your force please state how many officers from your force have received some type of disciplinary sanction because they breached some part of Coronavirus guidelines or laws in either their personal life or while on the job.

For each occasion please state (a) if the officer was on or off duty, (b) a brief description of how they breached the laws/guidelines and (c) the disciplinary sanction imposed on them.

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.

On or off duty	Description	Sanction
Off duty	Breach of self isolation	Final Written Warning
Off duty	Breach of self isolation	Final Written Warning
Off duty	Breach of self isolation	Dismissal

Please note cases have been excluded where sanctions have not yet been finalised.

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