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7 May 2021

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 8 April 2021, requesting the following information:

" (1). *the number of armed forces personnel referred to the Prevent framework in 2021, 2020, 2019 and 2018*

(2). *the number of those referrals which were discussed by a Channel panel'*

Please break down the above records by Army, Navy and Air Force . Please also break down - where possible - where the concern related to right-wing radicalisation.

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD), and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held.

The requested information from each branch of the Armed Forces can be found in the table at Annex A below. In accordance with the Data Protection Act and our obligations in relation to the protection of confidentiality when handling personal data, the figures provided have been rounded in accordance with the MOD disclosure control and rounding policy: { [HYPERLINK "https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/defence-statistics-policies/ministry-of-defence-disclosure-control-and-rounding-policy"](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/defence-statistics-policies/ministry-of-defence-disclosure-control-and-rounding-policy) }

Under Section 16 of FOIA, please be advised that statistics start from calendar year 2019, which is when the requirement to collate the information began. The MOD does not own Channel and personnel referred are not currently under any obligation to report any referral to their chain of command. It is, therefore, not possible to provide any accurate data relating to Channel.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact us in the first instance at the address above. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail { [HYPERLINK "mailto:CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk"](mailto:CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk) }). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, { HYPERLINK "http://www.ico.org.uk" }.

Yours sincerely,

Defence People Secretariat

Annex A

Year	Total	Royal Navy	Army	Royal Air Force	Unknown/Insufficient data
2019	14 (11 XRW)	0	~ (includes XRW)	# (includes XRW)	# - Type and Service not known
2020	~	# (includes XRW)	~ (includes XRW)	0	0
2021 to date	#	0	#	0	0

Notes to table:

XRW = Extreme Right Wing,

~ = Less than 10 investigations

= Less than 5 investigations