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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: FULL LIST OF PROPERTY OWNED BY MOD POLICE.

We refer to your email dated 6th January 2022 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on 10th January 2022.

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 information:

Please could you provide a full list of property owned by the Ministry of Defence Police with addresses, could you please include details where joint ownership or similar agreement exists between the MDP and other organisations such as a neighbouring police force or other MOD organisation including visiting forces.

Please could you provide a full list of property rented or leased by the MOD Police with addresses, used for a policing purpose or residential use by your police force.

In the past 12 months has your force rented any properties on a short term basis and if so could you please provide details including rent paid and any deposits or similar provided as part of the rental or lease of the property.

During the same period has the MDP disposed of any buildings previously used for policing or in support of policing, if so please provide details of the building(s) disposed of.

Can you provide details of how buildings and estate are managed by the MDP behalf of Policing within your force.

For clarity when I refer to property I mean buildings such as bases, offices, police stations, or other buildings used in support of a policing purpose.

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.

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The vast majority of Ministry of Defence Police (MDP) station offices are contained within secure Defence sites and are therefore not accessible to the general public.

The force is configured to provide a bespoke policing service to the Ministry of Defence and other customers across a wide range of locations in the UK.

The small number of MDP offices that are located outside of secure Defence sites are located within Army Garrisons or Service Family Accommodation areas to provide support to Service Personnel and their families and are not readily accessible to the general public. The Ministry of Defence Police does not own property.

In relation to your request we are applying a Section 21 exemption, as some of the information you have requested is accessible by other means. Please see the link below for a map of our locations but please note these are not owned by the Ministry of Defence Police.

https://www.mod.police.uk/our-locations/

Please could you provide a full list of property rented or leased by the MOD Police with addresses, used for a policing purpose or residential use by your police force.

Please see above

In the past 12 months has your force rented any properties on a short term basis and if so could you please provide details including rent paid and any deposits or similar provided as part of the rental or lease of the property.

No information held

During the same period has the MDP disposed of any buildings previously used for policing or in support of policing, if so please provide details of the building(s) disposed of.

Any buildings no longer in use by the Ministry of Defence Police remain part of the defence estate and are generally repurposed by Defence. Any disposal is carried out appropriately by the Defence Infrastructure Organisation (DIO) whose role is to care for the defence estate and those that depend on it.

Can you provide details of how buildings and estate are managed by the MDP behalf of Policing within your force.

DIO are responsible for managing the defence estate.

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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).

Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly 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. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at https://ico.org.uk/.

Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office