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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: TASER DATA.

We refer to your email dated 19th January 2022 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on 20th 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:

- 1) Does your force record which part(s) of the body a conducted energy device (CED, e.g. TASER) makes contact with when discharged?**

- 2) If so, I would like the number of instances where one of your officers has hit or made contact with an individual's chest area with a CED/TASER from 1 January 2019 until the 1st January 2022. If this requires effort to separate the results or you do not have data for that exact date range, please send the raw data.**

- 3) Can I also have total number of times that a CED/TASER has been discharged by your officers from 1 January 2019 until the 1st January 2022? NB: 'Discharge' should include all instances of firing, as well as the use of drive-stun and angle drive-stun functions. As before, if this requires effort to separate the results or you do not have data for that exact date range, please send the raw data.**

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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Yes

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2019 – 1
2020 – 4
2021 – 0

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2019 – 1
2020 – 6
2021 – 0

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

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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