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Dear

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: MEDICALLY RETIRED POLICE OFFICERS – MENTAL HEALTH.

We refer to your email dated 15<sup>th</sup> February 2022 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on 15<sup>th</sup> February 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:

## For 2019, 2020 & 2021;

- A. The number of individual police officers within your force to have been medically retired.
- B. The number of individual police officers within your force to have been medically retired specifically on mental health grounds.
- C. A breakdown of the specific mental health issues cited as reasons for medical retirement (including depression, anxiety, PTSD, stress...etc.)

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.

## For 2019, 2020 & 2021;

The number of individual police officers within your force to have been medically retired.

Calendar Year	Number of Individuals
2019	70
2020	34
2021	37

The number of individual police officers within your force to have been medically retired specifically on mental health grounds.

No Information held.

A breakdown of the specific mental health issues cited as reasons for medical retirement (including depression, anxiety, PTSD, stress...etc.)

No information held.

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**