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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: STONEWALL.

We refer to your email dated 14 December 2021 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on the same date.

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. In respect of each of the years 2015-2021, please confirm what funding has been provided to Stonewall by:

Ministry of Defence Police

- 2. Please specify whether the funding in 1 above has been in the form of:
- (a) direct grants for unlimited purposes;
- (b) direct grants for limited purposes (in that event, stating the purpose);
- (c) payment for goods or services (specifying the relevant goods and services).
- 3. Where the funding in 1 above has been by way of payment for goods or services, please specify:
- (a) what analysis has been conducted to ascertain whether these goods or services meet contractual and/or legal requirements;
- (b) what contractual or other recourse exists to reclaim in respect of goods or services that are defective, substandard or delivered in contravention of the law;
- (c) what steps are being taken to seek recourse for any such contractual or legal shortfalls.
- 4. In respect of the payments referred to in 1 above, please state:
- (a) What criteria were applied in deciding to make payments by way of direct grants;

- (b) What tendering process was conducted with regard to provision of goods or services:
- (c) What alternative suppliers of goods or services were considered.

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.

1. In respect of each of the years 2015-2021, please confirm what funding has been provided to Stonewall by:

Ministry of Defence Police

2015/16

£3,000 – Stonewall membership

2016/17

£3,696 – Stonewall membership

2017/18

£3,000 - Stonewall membership

2018/19

£3,000 - Stonewall membership

2019/20

£3,000 – Stonewall membership

£1,076.40 – Stonewall Workplace Conference

£5250 – Stonewall Allies Programme

2020/21

£3,000 Stonewall membership

£209.40 – Stonewall Workplace Conference Digital Learning Series

- 2. Please specify whether the funding in 1 above has been in the form of:
- (a) direct grants for unlimited purposes:
- (b) direct grants for limited purposes (in that event, stating the purpose);
- (c) payment for goods or services (specifying the relevant goods and services).

See above for 2c. In respect of a. and b. – No information held.

- 3. Where the funding in 1 above has been by way of payment for goods or services, please specify:
- (a) what analysis has been conducted to ascertain whether these goods or services meet contractual and/or legal requirements;

Stonewall met the membership requirements including Client Account Manager support, policy reviews and available resources.

- (b) what contractual or other recourse exists to reclaim in respect of goods or services that are defective, substandard or delivered in contravention of the law:
- (c) what steps are being taken to seek recourse for any such contractual or legal shortfalls.

No information held for b. and c.

- 4. In respect of the payments referred to in 1 above, please state:
- (a) What criteria were applied in deciding to make payments by way of direct grants;
- (b) What tendering process was conducted with regard to provision of goods or services:
- (c) What alternative suppliers of goods or services were considered.

No information held for a. b. and c.

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

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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