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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 13 July 2022 requesting the following information:

*“Please can you tell me how many service personnel have been referred to the government terrorism prevention programme and what far (far-right/ islamist terrorism)?
Can i have the figures for this year and the previous four years before that?”*

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

The requested information can be found in the table below. Under Section 40(2) of the FOIA (someone else’s personal data) and MOD disclosure protocols, some of the data has been rounded or withheld. The data has been rounded to the nearest 5 with ~ representing less than 5 and - representing nil. Totals have been rounded separately and may not equal the sum of their parts. Section 40(2) has been applied to protect personal information as governed by the Data Protection Act 2018. Section 40 is an absolute exemption and there is therefore no requirement to consider the public interest in making a decision to withhold the information. MOD Disclosure Control and Rounding policy can be found at the following link: (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/defence-statistics-policies/ministry-of-defence-disclosure-control-and-rounding-policy>).

Type of Activity	No. of Service Persons		
	2019	2020	2021-April 2022
Extreme Right-Wing related activity	5	5	10
Left wing, Anarchist, Single Issue	-	-	-
No Clear Ideology	-	-	~
Islamist related activity	~	-	~
Northern Ireland Related Terrorism activity	-	-	-
Counter Terrorism related activity	-	~	-
Total	15	10	15

Under Section 16 of the FOIA (Advice and Assistance), you may find it helpful to note that the MOD started to record referrals to PREVENT known to our main channels in 2019. The numbers above are therefore from 2019 onwards. These indicate the number of Service Persons known to MOD to have been referred to PREVENT in each year, as well as broadly how the referrals can be categorised. These figures are those cases recorded through MOD’s central referral pathway.

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 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, <http://www.ico.org.uk>.

Yours sincerely,

Defence People Secretariat