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Dear [REDACTED]

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

We refer to your email dated 6 December 2021 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on 7 December 2021.

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.) **What courses are available to AFO's?**
- 2.) **Is the TFU trained to SFO or CTSFO standards?**
- 3.) **Are AFO's able to become trained Rifle Officers / Tactical Rifle Officers?**
- 4.) **What courses are available to officers in the OSU?**

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.) What courses are available to AFO's?

Authorised Firearms Officers in the MDP are trained in accordance with the National AFO-Counter Terrorist role profile. Further training in specialisms is available. For details see www.mod.police.uk

- 2.) Is the TFU trained to SFO or CTSFO standards?

No information held. The TFU is a bespoke MDP AFO role profile.

- 3.) Are AFO's able to become trained Rifle Officers / Tactical Rifle Officers?

Yes

4.) What courses are available to officers in the OSU?

OSU officers are trained in public order skills and also as AFOs. Further specialism are available on application for details see www.mod.police.uk

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

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Yours sincerely

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