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Dear [REDACTED]

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: DRONES.**

We refer to your email dated 7 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:

- **The number of qualified drone operators (both full and part time) you currently have working for the Force in any capacity.**
- **The number of drones currently used by the Force.**
- **The type (by manufacturer and model) of drones currently used by the Force.**
- **The cumulative number of our hours flown by each drone type in the last 12 months<sup>[1]</sup>.**
- **The number of drone crashes, losses or failures experienced in the last 12 months by the Force by drone type**

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.

**The number of qualified drone operators (both full and part time) you currently have working for the Force in any capacity.**

None

**The number of drones currently used by the Force.**

None

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<sup>[1]</sup> If the drone in question is not 12 months old please provide the total number of flying hours and accrual period.

**The type (by manufacturer and model) of drones currently used by the Force.**

No information held

**The cumulative number of our hours flown by each drone type in the last 12 months<sup>[1]</sup>.**

Nil

**The number of drone crashes, losses or failures experienced in the last 12 months by the Force by drone**

No information held

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

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**

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