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Dear

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: HATE CRIME STATISTICS.

We refer to your email dated 24<sup>th</sup> August 2022 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on 24<sup>th</sup> August 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:

- 1. The total number of hate crimes recorded by the Constabulary, broken down by individual 'hate' characteristics (e.g. Race, disability etc.)
- 2. With respect to crimes that were so recorded due to the hate element being related to 'gender identity', 'gender reassignment' or 'transphobia'(or whichever similar term the Force may use) please provide a detailed breakdown of the specific crimes involved e.g. rape, murder, assault, harassment etc.)
- 3. The total number of non-crime hate incidents recorded, similarly broken down as per question 1.
- 4. With respect to non-crime hate incidents that were so recorded due to the hate element being related to 'gender identity', 'gender reassignment' or 'transphobia'(or whichever similar term the Force may use) please provide a detailed breakdown of the specific type of incident involved.

A search for information has now been completed and I can confirm that we do hold information in scope of your request.

1. The total number of hate crimes recorded by the Constabulary, broken down by individual 'hate' characteristics (e.g. Race, disability etc.)

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2018 – 0
2019 – 1 x Race
2020 – 2 x Race
2021 – 2 x Race, 2 x Transphobic
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2. With respect to crimes that were so recorded due to the hate element being related to 'gender identity', 'gender reassignment' or 'transphobia'(or whichever similar term the Force may use) please provide a detailed breakdown of the specific crimes involved e.g. rape, murder, assault, harassment etc.)

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Transphobic – Harassment x 1

Malicious Communications x 1
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3. The total number of non-crime hate incidents recorded, similarly broken down as per question 1.

Due to a change in operating systems we cannot currently search the data for this question before August 2021.

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2021 – 2 x Race, 1 x Disability
2022 – 4 x Race
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August 2021 – August 2022 – 33 x Hate Incident (Hate incident is catch all qualifier covering all types of non-crime hate incidents).

4. With respect to non-crime hate incidents that were so recorded due to the hate element being related to 'gender identity', 'gender reassignment' or 'transphobia'(or whichever similar term the Force may use) please provide a detailed breakdown of the specific type of incident involved.

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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**