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Dear

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: RECRUITMENT TARGETS AND GOALS.

We refer to your email dated 28<sup>th</sup> August 2022 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on 30<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:

We are currently doing some research into police force recruitment. Our main objective is to see what the forces' recruitment targets are and how close they are to reaching these goals. This information would be greatly appreciated as it will help us to encourage and assist new people into joining the police.

I am requesting information on the current recruitment targets of the force and the total number of officers recruited this year (2021-2022) and the past two years (2019-2020 and 2020-2021)

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

I am requesting information on the current recruitment targets of the force and the total number of officers recruited this year (2021-2022) and the past two years (2019-2020 and 2020-2021)

Recruitment target this year 2022/2023 is 320.

2022/2023 up to 13th September 2022: 81

For the last two years, the years given aren't correct as the MOD Police recruitment years fall in to financial years, so here are the previous 3 financial years:

2021/2022 : 244

2020/2021: 320

2019/2020: 404

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).

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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