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Date: 19th December 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: IOPC REFERRALS AND REASONS.

We refer to your email dated 29th November 2022 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on the 29th November 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:

I'm writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) to ask that you please disclose to me how many IOPC referrals have been sent from your force between Jan 1 2017 and 31st August 2022.

I'd also like to know what percentage of these were 1) complaints 2) DSI referrals, or 3) RCMs. I would specifically (you may have to ignore DSI referrals for this) like to know how many of these were relating to matters of potential misconduct, and the amount of them that were upheld, and what action this resulted in. If you are unable to achieve this within the cost limit, then I would like the same but for the last three years up to the end date (2020, 2021, 2022).

I've already received information from the IOPC regarding the amount of referrals there have been overall during this timeframe, and they've instructed me that the best way to find out more information as to the nature and status of them would be to contact the individual forces, which I am now doing.

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

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- 1) Complaints 14%
- 2) DSI referrals 14%
- 3) Recordable Conduct Matters - RCMs 72%

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Relating to matters of potential misconduct: 25

All outcomes were determined by the Ministry of Defence Police Professional Standards department, at a hearing or meeting.

Upheld:

- Reflective Practice x 1
- Written Warning x 1
- Final Written Warning x 3
- Management Action x 4
- Dismissed x 4
- Still live x 4

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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