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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: SEXISM COMPLAINTS TO PSD.

We refer to your email dated 2nd December 2022 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on the 5th December 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. How many complaints has your Professional Standards team received of officers and staff reported for sexism against women and/or misogyny, from January 2018 to December 2022?**
- 2. How many of these reports were made by police officers and staff?**
- 3. How many of these cases resulted in disciplinary action?**

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

We have used the below definition for the term misogyny:

“Prejudicial & improper behaviour – any attitude and or behaviour demonstrated by a police officer that could be reasonably considered to reveal misogyny, sexism, antipathy towards women or be an indication of or precursor to abuse of position for sexual purpose. – Violence against women and girls categories.”

1. How many complaints has your Professional Standards team received of officers and staff reported for sexism against women and/or misogyny, from January 2018 to December 2022?

25

2. How many of these reports were made by police officers and staff?

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4. How many of these cases resulted in disciplinary action?

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There are 10 live cases that have not currently reached a result.

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