



# Ministry of Defence Police

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Our Ref: eCase: FOI 2023/01285

RFI: 036/23

Date: 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear ██████████

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE:  
POLICE USE OF EMERGENCY POWERS S46 OF THE CHILDREN ACT 1989**

We refer to your email dated 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023.

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:

**Please advise how many time your Police authority has used the following powers**

- 1. Emergency powers, pursuant to s.46 of the Children Act 1989**
- 2. The number of children removed using Section 46**
- 3. The identified Emergency Harm**
  - a. Domestic Violence**
  - b. Sexual Abuse**
  - c. Self Harm**
  - d. Induced or Fabricated Illness**
  - e. Parental alienation**
  - f. Other please identify**

- 4. The ages and gender of the removed children**

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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**f . Other please identify**

No information held.

**3. The ages and gender of the removed children**

No information held.

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 (email [CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk](mailto: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**