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16 August 2022

Dear [REDACTED],

Release of Information

Thank you for your correspondence of 8 August 2022 in which you requested the following information:

'I would like to inquire regarding ranking standards for those who are to be appointed to the office of the Royal Navy Police Provost Marshal (PM(N)).

I would like to request the following information:

- Who is the current Provost Marshal (N);
- What rank does the current Provost Marshal (N) hold;
- What are the ranking standards for an individual to be appointed to the office of Provost Marshal (N);'

Your enquiry has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

A search for the information has been completed within the Ministry of Defence and I can confirm that information in scope of your request is held.

In response to part one of your request, I can advise that the current Provost Marshall (PM) (Navy) (N) is Commander [REDACTED] Royal Navy (RN).

In response to part two of your request, I can advise that the role of PM(N) holds the rank of RN Commander.

In response to part three of your request, I can advise that any person appointed to the office of PM(N) will have been selected for the role by an independent panel of senior RN officers who take into consideration the individuals' merit, experience and credibility as a RN Police Officer across various policing areas, and previous recommendations for the

position. The successful candidate is compared against their RN Police peers of similar standing.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

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Yours sincerely

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