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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: SEXUAL AND VAWG OFFENCES

We refer to your email dated 29 October 2023 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on 30 October 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 provide data on the number of police officers and staff you have been criminally investigated for a sexual or VAWG offence. Specifically, for each year from 2018 onwards, please provide:

- The number of police officers criminally investigated for a sexual offence, split by crime type and outcome.
- The number of police officers criminally investigated for a VAWG offence, split by the crime type and outcome.
- The number of police staff criminally investigated for a sexual offence, split by the crime type and outcome.
- The number of police staff criminally investigated for a VAWG offence, split by the crime type and outcome.

Please provide such data electronically, ideally as a spreadsheet.

The date “since 2018” should reflect the start date of the investigation.

The Ministry of Defence Police have completed a search based on your request and confirm that we do hold information in scope.

Please provide data on the number of police officers and staff you have been criminally investigated for a sexual or VAWG offence. Specifically, for each year from 2018 onwards, please provide:

- The number of police officers criminally investigated for a sexual offence, split by crime type and outcome.

| 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | Total |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 9 |

| Type | Year | Home Office Police Force (HO) Outcome | MDP Determination | Result |
|------------------------------------|------|--|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Sexual/Indecency | 2018 | Court - 8 months imprisonment | Gross Misconduct - Hearing | Would have been dismissed |
| Sexual/Indecency | 2019 | Court - 36 months imprisonment | Gross Misconduct - Hearing | Dismissal without notice |
| Sexual/Indecency | 2020 | Court - Not Proven | Gross Misconduct - Hearing | Hearing - Not Proven |
| Sexual/Indecency | 2021 | Court - 5 months imprisonment, suspended for one year. | Gross Misconduct - Hearing | Dismissal without notice |
| Prejudicial and Improper Behaviour | 2021 | NFA by HO | Misconduct | LIVE |
| Sexual/Indecency | 2021 | Court - 3 yrs Community Order | Gross Misconduct - Hearing | Dismissal without notice |
| Prejudicial and Improper Behaviour | 2022 | Discontinued by HO | LIVE | LIVE |
| Prejudicial and Improper Behaviour | 2023 | LIVE | LIVE | LIVE |
| Sexual/Indecency | 2023 | LIVE | LIVE | LIVE |

- The number of police officers criminally investigated for a VAWG offence, split by the crime type and outcome.

| 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | Total |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| 0 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 18 |

| Type | Year Recorded | Home Office Police Force (HO) Outcome | MDP Determination | Result |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Sexual/Indecency | 2020 | NFA by HO | Not Misconduct | Management Action |
| Sexual/Indecency | 2020 | NFA by HO | Not Misconduct | NFA |
| Domestic | 2020 | NFA by HO | Misconduct | Management Action |
| Domestic | 2021 | NFA by HO | Case to Answer | Reflective Practice |
| Prejudicial and Improper Behaviour | 2021 | Discontinued by HO | Gross Misconduct - Hearing | LIVE |
| Sexual/Indecency | 2021 | NFA by HO | No Case to Answer | NFA |
| Sexual/Indecency | 2021 | NFA by HO | No Case to Answer | NFA |
| Prejudicial and Improper Behaviour | 2021 | Not Proven at Court | LIVE | LIVE |

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|------------------------------------|------|------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Prejudicial and Improper Behaviour | 2021 | NFA by non-HO force | Not Misconduct | Management Action |
| Prejudicial and Improper Behaviour | 2022 | LIVE | LIVE | LIVE |
| Sexual/Indecency | 2022 | NFA by HO | NFA | NFA |
| Prejudicial and Improper Behaviour | 2022 | Social Work Diversion Scheme | Case to Answer | Reflective Practice |
| Prejudicial and Improper Behaviour | 2022 | LIVE | LIVE | LIVE |
| Prejudicial and Improper Behaviour | 2022 | NFA by HO | Gross Misconduct - Hearing | LIVE |
| Prejudicial and Improper Behaviour | 2022 | LIVE | LIVE | LIVE |
| Prejudicial and Improper Behaviour | 2023 | LIVE | LIVE | LIVE |
| Sexual/Indecency | 2023 | LIVE | LIVE | LIVE |
| Prejudicial and Improper Behaviour | 2023 | LIVE | LIVE | LIVE |

- The number of police staff criminally investigated for a sexual offence, split by the crime type and outcome.

0

- The number of police staff criminally investigated for a VAWG offence, split by the crime type and outcome.

0

Any report of an offence, of the nature described in this request, is treated with the utmost seriousness. The Ministry of Defence Police expects all staff to demonstrate the highest possible standards of behaviour and conduct, at all times, and will take suitable action against anyone that fails to maintain these standards. We recognise the importance of our organisation being representative of the people and communities we serve and are committed to providing a working environment free of prejudice, discrimination, and harassment.

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Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at <https://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office