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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: INCIDENTS OF POSSESSION OF ILLEGAL DRUGS

We refer to your email dated 17 November 2023 to the Ministry of Defence Police (MDP) which was acknowledged on the 20 November 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:

Q1. How many incidents of possession of illegal drugs have there been overall in your area per year? Please provide a figure for each year (i.e. 2023 so far, 2022 and 2021).

Q2. Please provide the data as per Q1 for incidents of possession of illegal cannabis specifically. Please provide a figure for each year (i.e. 2023 so far, 2022 and 2021).

Q3: Please provide the data as per Q1 for incidents of possession of illegal synthetic cannabinoids (i.e. spice, K2) specifically. Please provide a figure for each year (i.e. 2023 so far, 2022 and 2021).

Q4. Which road in your area saw the greatest number of incidents of “possession with intent to supply” and/or “supplying” (dealing or sharing) of illegal drugs? If data is unavailable by road, please provide by area or postcode. Please provide a figure for each year (i.e. 2023 so far, 2022 and 2021).

Q5. Please provide the data above for illegal cannabis specifically. If you do not log this by drug name, please provide by Class A, B or C of drug or however else this information is recorded. Please provide a figure for each year (i.e. 2023 so far, 2022 and 2021).

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

Q1. How many incidents of possession of illegal drugs have there been overall in your area per year? Please provide a figure for each year (i.e. 2023 so far, 2022 and 2021).

2021* = 21 incidents
2022 = 53 incidents
2023** = 60 incidents

* August 2021 to December 2021 inclusive

** January 2023 to November 2023 inclusive

Q2. Please provide the data as per Q1 for incidents of possession of illegal cannabis specifically. Please provide a figure for each year (i.e. 2023 so far, 2022 and 2021).

2021* = 8 incidents
2022 = 17 incidents
2023** = 23 incidents

* August 2021 to December 2021 inclusive

** January 2023 to November 2023 inclusive

Q3: Please provide the data as per Q1 for incidents of possession of illegal synthetic cannabinoids (i.e. spice, K2) specifically. Please provide a figure for each year (i.e. 2023 so far, 2022 and 2021).

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Q4. Which road in your area saw the greatest number of incidents of “possession with intent to supply” and/or “supplying” (dealing or sharing) of illegal drugs? If data is unavailable by road, please provide by area or postcode.

No information held

Please provide a figure for each year (i.e. 2023 so far, 2022 and 2021).

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Q5. Please provide the data above for illegal cannabis specifically. If you do not log this by drug name, please provide by Class A, B or C of drug or however else this information is recorded.

No information held

Please provide a figure for each year (i.e. 2023 so far, 2022 and 2021).

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Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office