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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: CRITICAL NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE SITES (CNI) (GAS TERMINALS) CONTRACT DETAILS

We refer to your email dated 29 January 2024 to the Ministry of Defence Police (MDP), which was acknowledged on 29 January 2024.

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 could you provide the following information from the contract of employment between the Ministry of Defence Police and Department for Business Energy and Industrial Strategy re their tasking at the four Critical National Infrastructure Sites.(Gas Terminals).

Specifically:

- 1. The provisions made within the contract regarding what happens to the Police Officers employed at these sites should the contract not be renewed (which is happening) re Redundancy and/or redeployment options for these officers.
- 2. Details of the organisation stipulated within the contract which will meet these costs.

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

The Service Level Agreement is not soley held within MDP, but by the Department of Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ), who have agreed for us to release the following sections:

9.8 It is agreed that as the MDP service is provided on a "full cost recovery" basis these costs will include exit costs.

9.9 Within the constraints of any notice period and subject to agreement from the Customer on risk appetite during this time, MDP will take all reasonable steps to minimise exit liability. This will include the offer of transfer to other MDP posts that are or may become vacant during the draw-down phase at MOD expense, and the management of natural wastage. The irreducible remaining cost that is generated from the need to implement forced transfer and/or local redundancy measures and the removal of MDP assets will fall to the gas customer for 'extra police services' using the mechanism detailed in Article 2 of the Counter Terrorism Act 2008 (Designation of a Gas Transporter) Order 2009 under which the deployment is directed.

If you are not satisfied with 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). 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