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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: MOD POLICE OFFICERS ARMED OR UNARMED EMPLOYED TODAY AND DO NOT CURRENTLY HAVE A DRIVING LICENCE

We refer to your email dated 08 March 2024 to the Ministry of Defence Police (MDP), which was acknowledged on 11 March 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:

How many MDP officers armed or unarmed are employed today, and do not currently have a driving licence?

A search for information has now been completed and I can confirm that the MDP does hold information in scope of your request. There is one MDP officer who does not currently have a driving licence.

The College of Policing gives local forces discretion as to whether the ability to drive is an essential requirement for police officers to be able to carry out their duties.

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.

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Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office