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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: CRIME AND NON-CRIME HATE INCIDENTS .

We refer to your email dated 26 November 2024 to the Ministry of Defence Police (MDP), which was acknowledged on 27 November 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:

- 1. Broken down by month and type of hate offence (e.g. disability, Christianity, Islam, Judaism, sexual orientation, transgender identity, alternative subculture, and any other listed category), every hate crime and non-crime hate incident recorded by your force in the following years: 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 (up until 31 October).**
- 2. For every recorded offence in the same period, (i) the exact nature of the actions or words used, (ii) where it was carried out (either a location such as school, workplace, street etc, or a specific social media platform/internet website), and (iii) the age of the perpetrator.**
- 3. For each recorded offence in the same period, the action taken by police and outcome of the offence (e.g. £50 fine, no further action, et cetera, sent for prosecution, et cetera).**

A search for the information is complete and I can confirm that the MDP do hold information in scope of your request.

Month	Type of hate	Actions/Words used	Location	Age of perpetrator	Action taken	Outcome
Sep-21	Race	Verbal, shouted 'Go home Americans'	Playground	Unknown	Not recorded as a crime by MDP, in line with policy.	No details of suspect.
Oct-21	Race	Concerning comments in support of 'White	Workplace	54	Not recorded as a crime by MDP, in line with policy.	Dealt with by management

		Britain' movement				
Jan-22	Racially aggravated public order	Kicked cyclist and racist language	Road	38	Recorded as a crime by MDP.	Charged / Summons. Found not guilty.
Jan-22	Race	Racially motivated comments	Road	68	Not recorded as crime by MDP, in line with policy.	Transferred to local police force.
Feb-22	Race	Racially motivated comments	Road	24	Arrested.	Transferred to Service Police
Nov-22	Race	Racially motivated comments	Workplace	Unknown	Recorded as a crime by MDP.	Accused formally cautioned / charged. To go to prosecuting authority.
Apr-23	Race	Racially motivated assault	Road	34	Arrested.	Transferred to local police force.
Sep-24	Race	Neo-Nazi hate graffiti	MOD Establishment	Unknown	Recorded as a crime by MDP.	Not investigated, no suspect, large volume of foot traffic
Feb-24	Transphobic	Receiving malicious communications online	Online	Unknown	Recorded as a crime by MDP.	Transferred to local police force.
Aug-24	Race	Posting racial hatred images online	Online	Unknown	Recorded as a crime by MDP.	Unable to geographically locate the offence so unable to transfer crime to local police force.

The Ministry of Defence Police is a specialist national armed police force responsible for protecting Defence sites, assets and people. The nature of this work means that the force does not routinely deal with certain types of offences or arrests. It is common practice to work with local Forces and other agencies to hand over case responsibility when required.

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Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office