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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: OFFICER NUMBERS

I refer to your e-mail dated 14 November 2018, which was acknowledged on the 15 November 2018.

We are treating your e-mail as a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000).

In your e-mail you requested the following information:

- “1) What was the total number of police officers (all grades) in your police force on 1st April 1999?**
- 2) Of those identified in the answer to question 1, can you tell me how many officers in total were from BAME backgrounds?**
- 3) What was the total number of police officers (all grades) in your police force on 1st April 2018?**
- 4) Of those identified in the answer to question 3, can you tell me how many officers in total were from BAME backgrounds?”**

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

- 1) What was the total number of police officers (all grades) in your police force on 1st April 1999?**

In the Ministry of Defence Police(MDP) Chief Constable's Annual Report and Accounts 1999-2000, the complemented strength at 31 March 1999 was 3741.

2) Of those identified in the answer to question 1, can you tell me how many officers in total were from BAME backgrounds?

We are unable to supply the information for this question as these details were not recorded.

3) What was the total number of police officers (all grades) in your police force on 1st April 2018?

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4) Of those identified in the answer to question 3, can you tell me how many officers in total were from BAME backgrounds?

As at 1 April 2018, 48 officers were recorded as being from BAME background, although the recording of the numbers is not mandatory.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

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Yours sincerely

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