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Dear Mr Anderson,

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: FACIAL RECOGNITION TECHNOLOGY.

We refer to your email dated 13 July 2020 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on the 14 July 2020.

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 can you let me know if the Ministry of Defence Police has used Facial recognition technology, including facial recognition cameras, for policing, or for testing purposes, during 2019-20.

- a) What dates was the technology used?
- b) What was the purpose of using the technology?
- c) Was the technology used in relation to policing a particular public event or protest?
- d) What company supplied the technology"

A search for information has now been completed by the Ministry of Defence Police and I can confirm that we do not hold information in scope of your request.

The Ministry of Defence Police (MDP) is a civilian Police force funded by the Ministry of Defence (MOD) to protect and secure key MOD assets

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

If you wish to complain about 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).

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Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office