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Dear

I refer to your request dated 1 January 2008 for information on MPA Selected Medical Practitioners (SMP) under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Your asked for:

- The number of police officers certified as permanantly/likely to be permantly disabled by the SMP for the MPA in Nov 2005 to Nov 2006 and Nov 2006 to Nov 2007.
- 2. The number of police officers certified as permantly/likely to be permanantly disabled by the SMP for the MPA in the above time frames due to mental illness, depression or stress.
- 3. The number of police officers in the above time frames that were judged by the SMP for the MPA as not permanantly/likely to be permantly disabled who appealed and the % of those that were successful on appeal.
- 4. The number of police officers who were suffering from stress/depression or mental illness in the above time frames that were judged by the SMP for the MPA as not permanantly/likely to be permantly disabled who appealed and the % of those that were succesful on appeal.

The table below provides information in response to questions 1 to 4 of your request.

	Nov 05 - 06	Nov 06 - 07
Number of police officers certified as	44	40
permanently disabled by the SMP		
Number of police officers certified as	15	16
permanently disabled by the SMP in respect of		
mental illness		
Number of those found not permanently disabled	10	4
Number of those found not permanently disabled	5	4
who appealed against the decision		
Number of those who appealed the decision who	3 (60%)	1 (25%)
were successful		(2 outstanding)
Number of appeals for mental illness	3	0
Number of successful appeals against non	1 (33%)	0
permanence of mental illness		

I hope that this response answers your questions.

However, if you are unhappy with the decision regarding your request for information you should write to me at the above address. I will arrange for an officer who has not had any involvement with this request to review our decision. If you are still unhappy after that, a further request can be made to the Information Commissioner, who will decide whether the request was dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act. Further information is available on the Information Commissioner's website: www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Information Officer