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For attention of Mrs J Love

VULCAN NRTE - Current Position with regard to MoD Police External Patrols

It is understood that there was an action from the last DSG placed on MoD Vulcan to provide a statement on the current position regarding external patrols outside the Vulcan site by the MoD Police:

As a result of a review of the approach to security of MoD Establishments throughout the country, MoD(Vulcan) are developing a number of enhancements to the security arrangements at the site. These include a number of structural improvements and an increase in the number of MDP on site. With this increase, there is now the capacity to carry out mobile patrols beyond the site perimeter in line with Government's Counter Terrorism strategy.

Plans for these patrols, within the environs of a defined area are being drafted but have not yet been approved. This will only take place, and external patrols will only start, after consultation with local stakeholders. At this point there has been no decision as to whether these patrols will be armed, although it is an option that is being considered. This strategy is designed to offer the MoD and the community around Vulcan a visible increase in police presence but does not replace, in any way, the role performed by Police Scotland. An MDP Liaison officer is now engaging with local stakeholders, including the local community, in order to inform and raise awareness of this proposal.

Regards,

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