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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2015 No. 25**

**The Ministry of Defence Police (Conduct etc.) Regulations 2015**

**PART 4**

**Misconduct Proceedings**

**Attendance of officer concerned at misconduct proceedings**

**32.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the officer concerned must attend the misconduct proceedings.

(2) Where the officer concerned informs the person conducting or chairing the misconduct proceedings in advance that the officer is unable to attend, on grounds which the person conducting or chairing those proceedings considers reasonable, that person may allow the officer concerned to participate in the proceedings by video link or other means.

(3) Where the officer concerned participates in the misconduct proceedings by video link or other means, or fails to attend the misconduct proceedings—

(a) the officer may nonetheless be represented at those proceedings by the—

(i) police friend; or

(ii) in the case of a misconduct hearing, the relevant lawyer (in which case the police friend may also attend); and

(b) the proceedings may proceed and be concluded in the absence of the officer concerned whether or not the officer is so represented.

(4) Where the officer concerned—

(a) attends the proceedings by video link or other means, and

(b) is represented in accordance with paragraph (3)(a),

the relevant lawyer or the police friend, or both, may participate using the video link or other means as are used by the officer concerned.