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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2008-03675

Keyword: Operational Policing

Subject: PSNI STAFF ATTENDING BEIJING OLYMPICS

Request:

I am wishing to seek the answers to the following questions under the Freedom of Information Act;

- 1) How many, if any, police officers or staff is your constabulary sending to the Beijing Olympics next month?
- 2) How long will they be there for?
- 3) What is the reason for their visit?
- 4) What are the ranks of officers going and from what departments?
- 5) How much money will it cost for the constabulary for each officer's stay?

Answer:

This is to inform you that the Police Service of Northern Ireland has now completed its search for the information you requested. The decision has been taken to disclose the located information to you in full.

There is no record of any police officers or support staff in the Police Service of Northern Ireland attending the Beijing Olympics in any official capacity.

If you have any queries regarding your request or the decision please do not hesitate to contact me on 028 9070 0164. When contacting the Freedom of Information Team, please quote the reference number listed at the beginning of this email.

If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review. You should do this as soon as possible, or in any case within two months of the date of issue of this letter. In the event that you require a review to be undertaken, you can do so by writing to the Head of Freedom of Information, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, BT5 6LE or by emailing foi@psni.pnn.police.uk.

If following an internal review, carried out by an independent decision maker, you were to remain dissatisfied in any way with the handling of the request you may make a complaint, under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, to the Information Commissioner's Office and ask that they investigate whether the PSNI has complied with the terms of the Freedom of Information Act. You can write to the Information Commissioner at Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. In most circumstances the Information Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been carried out, however the Commissioner has the option to investigate the matter at his discretion.

Please be advised that all PSNI replies under Freedom of Information will be released simultaneously into the public domain via our website @ www.psnipolice.uk.

Personal details in respect of your request have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.