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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2008-04638

Keyword: Organisational Information/Governance

Subject: RELEASE OF PSNI COMPUTER INFORMATION

Request:

Force Policy in relation to the non release of *Command and Control Serials

***(Police Database for recording of incidents and police resources/response to same).**

Answer:

This is to inform you that the Police Service of Northern Ireland has now completed its search for the information you requested and have been advised that due to an administrative error you were initially provided with the wrong information. The release of Command & Control Serials is not in fact governed by a specific Service Policy.

As the majority of data included on Command and Control serials will be personal information quite often they fall under Data Protection Legislation.

However, as each request must be treated on a case-by-case basis and on its own merits, if the request is resubmitted to the Occurrence and Case Management Team (OCMT) Office in Donegall Pass it will be considered for release.

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 letter.

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.