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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2009-03887
Keyword: Finance
Subject: Overtime in Excess of 50/100 Hours

Request and 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.

Question 1

How many officers have done in excess of 50 hours of overtime in any given month since June?

Answer

Please find attached records.

Question 2

How many officers have done in excess of 100 hours of overtime in any given month since June?

Answer

Please find attached records.

Question 3

What percentage of frontline officers does this represent i.e. of the officers who would usually be called upon to do overtime (i.e. not desk staff) in both cases?

Answer

Please find attached records. The PSNI do not routinely calculate the percentage figure that you have asked for however by providing the total numbers of officers who have claimed any overtime, I have provided the raw data from which you may calculate the requested data.

NB: The new draft Policing plan, defines frontline service delivery as District officers assigned to Neighbourhood or Response duties. The requested information has been extracted from the PSNI's 'Options' duty rostering system. This system is not used by all police in the PSNI, but is used by all police in operational Districts; A to H, including officers assigned to Neighbourhood and Response duties. It also includes police in Ops Support Department which includes Roads Policing and Tactical Support Groups, (TSGs) with the exception of a few rural TSGs. These figures include Public Holiday overtime.

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 PSNI replies under Freedom of Information may be released 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.

2009	Hours Overtime/Officer		
	>100	>50	>0
July	17	520	3982
August	16	499	4051
September	9	505	3973
October	5	233	4077
November	1	144	4006
December	17	603	4166