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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2009-00272

**Keyword:** Human Resources

**Subject:** INJURY ON DUTY REPORTS - G DISTRICT

### Request and Answer:

#### Question 1

How many 23/10 applications made by Police Officers in G District in the last five years?

#### Question 2

How many 23/10 applications were approved by G District in the last five years?

#### Question 3

How many 23/10 applications were refused by G District in the last five years?

#### Question 4

How many 23/10 applications were submitted on or before the three-month deadline in G District?

#### Question 5

How many 23/10 applications were refused by G District on the basis that they were submitted outside the 3-month timeline in the last five years?

### Answer

The cost of complying with your request for information would exceed the appropriate limit as stated in the Freedom of Information Regulations 2004, which is currently set by the Secretary of State at £450.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter should be considered as a Refusal Notice, and the request has therefore been closed.

The information, which you requested, is not held in a readily accessible format. To locate and retrieve the information for the last 5 years as requested, would require a physical examination of records to answer questions 2 & 3. This would involve examining approximately 900 files, and estimating 2 minutes per file would take approximately 30 hours of work. As the Secretary of State has placed the appropriate fees level at £450 (18 hours), to carry out the examination would be over the appropriate fees level.

The Police Service of Northern Ireland have considered whether we can be of any assistance in terms of helping you refine your request to bring it under the cost limit. As G District centralised in 2008, it **may** be possible to provide the information for the time period, 1st April 2008 to date, subject to any exemptions, which may apply.

You may wish to submit a refined request in order that the cost of complying with your request may be facilitated within the 'appropriate limit'. Submission of a refined request would be treated as a new request, and considered in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, including consideration of relevant Part II exemptions.

If you have any queries regarding your request or this 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](mailto: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.

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