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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2009-01903

Keyword: Human Resources

Subject: POLICE OFFICERS ATTACHED TO PSNI HEADQUARTERS

Request and Answer:

Question

I wish to know how many police officers are currently attached to PSNI Headquarters, in its various guises, working for the differing teams and units, in comparison to the same figure 'pre-Patten'.

Answer

Please see the attached document below.

Over the past nine years the organisation has undergone significant structural development, functional realignment and has downsized considerably in respect of police officers. The overall difference in numbers attached to Headquarters may be explained by the increase of Crime Operations Department, which replaced the former Crime Department.

PSNI Headquarters has locations across Northern Ireland and currently comprises the following departments:

- Command
- Criminal Justice
- Crime Operations
- Crime Support
- Finance & Support
- Human Resources
- Media & Public Relations
- Operations Support
- Professional Standards

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Officers attached to Headquarter Departments			
	Regular	FTR	Total
June-2000	2094	107	2201
June-2009	2513	13	2526