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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F 2010 00610

Keyword: Crime

Subject: TERRORIST MURDERS SINCE GOOD FRIDAY AGREEMENT

Request and Answer:

Question

I am a legal academic at Durham University, researching terrorist related murders in Northern Ireland following the Belfast / Good Friday Agreement. In particular

- (a) I would like to access the names of individuals who were killed in terrorist related (security situation) incidents in Northern Ireland from April 1998 to May 2004.
- (b) I would also like the date of the incident and,
- (c) if possible, the organisation thought responsible.

Answer c

In relation to part c of your request, it is estimated that the cost of complying with your request for the organisation thought responsible would exceed the "appropriate costs limit" under Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which is currently set by the Secretary of State at £450. This information is not categorised in a format that would enable PSNI to answer this part of your request.

As such information is not separately recorded, to provide an accurate response would require a manual trawl through all the below murder files. Even for one of these murders, it is estimated this exercise would exceed the 18 hour threshold. All hard copy documents and computer records would have to be searched for mention of the organisation involved. Some organisations may have claimed responsibility but experience shows that this can be false. However, it may be the case that only when a successful prosecution has taken place, that the organisation would be confirmed.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter should be considered as a Section 17(1) Refusal Notice, and the request has therefore been closed.

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 consideration of relevant Part II exemptions.

Section 16 Duty to provide Advice and Assistance

Although excess cost removes the service's obligations under the Freedom of Information Act, as a gesture of goodwill, I have supplied information, relative to your request, retrieved before it was realised that the fees limit would be exceeded. I trust this will be helpful, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fees regulations for the remainder of your request.

Answers a and b

Murders¹ attributed to the security situation since the Good Friday Agreement

10th April 1998 – 31st May 2004

| Name | Date of Incident |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Mark Daniel McNeil | 17 April 1998 |
| Adrian Francis Lamph | 21 April 1998 |
| Ciaran Heffron | 25 April 1998 |
| William Henry Paul | 03 July 1998 |
| David Jason Quinn | 12 July 1998 |
| Mark Kenneth Alan Quinn | 12 July 1998 |
| Richard Danny Stewart Quinn | 12 July 1998 |
| Andrew Kearny | 19 July 1998 |
| Brenda Mary Logue | 15 August 1998 |
| Gareth Conway | 15 August 1998 |
| Avril Monaghan | 15 August 1998 |
| Alan Radford | 15 August 1998 |
| Lorrayne Ann Wilson | 15 August 1998 |
| Elizabeth Amelda Rushe | 15 August 1998 |
| Elizabeth Olive Hawkes | 15 August 1998 |
| Mary Grimes | 15 August 1998 |
| Maria Teresa Monaghan | 15 August 1998 |
| Anne McCombe | 15 August 1998 |
| Rocio Abad Ramos | 15 August 1998 |
| Philomena Skelton | 15 August 1998 |
| Fred White | 15 August 1998 |
| Oran Michael Doherty | 15 August 1998 |
| Brian White | 15 August 1998 |
| Aiden Gallagher | 15 August 1998 |
| Jolene Briege Marlowe | 15 August 1998 |
| Ester Nora Gibson | 15 August 1998 |
| Brian McCrory | 15 August 1998 |
| Debra Anne Cartwright | 15 August 1998 |
| Julia Victoria Hughes | 15 August 1998 |
| Sean McLoughlin | 15 August 1998 |
| James Victor Barker | 15 August 1998 |

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| Samantha McFarland | 15 August 1998 |
| Breda Devine | 15 August 1998 |
| Veda Elizabeth Short | 15 August 1998 |
| Geraldine Breslin | 15 August 1998 |
| Fernando Blasco Baselga | 15 August 1998 |
| John Joseph 'Sean' McGrath | 15 August 1998 |
| Frank O'Reilly | 05 September 1998 |
| Brian Gerard Service | 31 October 1998 |
| Eamon Collins | 27 January 1999 |
| Rosemary Nelson | 15 March 1999 |
| Francis Joseph Curry | 17 March 1999 |
| Brendan Joseph Fegan | 09 May 1999 |
| Mary Elizabeth O'Neill | 05 June 1999 |
| Paul Anthony Downey | 13 June 1999 |
| Charles Bennett | 30 July 1999 |
| Richard Jameson | 10 January 2000 |
| Andrew Robb | 19 February 2000 |
| David McIlwaine | 19 February 2000 |
| Martin Taylor | 26 May 2000 |
| Edmund McCoy | 28 May 2000 |
| Andrew Cairns | 12 July 2000 |
| John Coulter | 21 August 2000 |
| Robert Francis Mahood | 21 August 2000 |
| Samuel Rockett | 23 August 2000 |
| Patrick Gerard Quinn | 29 September 2000 |
| Joseph Emanuel O'Connor | 13 October 2000 |
| David Greer | 28 October 2000 |
| Herbert Rice | 31 October 2000 |
| Thomas English | 31 October 2000 |
| Mark Alan Quail | 01 November 2000 |
| Trevor Kell | 05 December 2000 |
| Gary Moore | 06 December 2000 |
| James William Rockett | 18 December 2000 |
| George Hugh Legge | 06 January 2001 |
| Adrian Porter | 13 March 2001 |
| Trevor Thomas Lowry | 31 March 2001 |
| Graham Edward Marks | 11 April 2001 |
| Christopher Michael O'Kane | 21 April 2001 |
| Paul Daly | 04 May 2001 |
| Stephen James Manners | 27 May 2001 |
| John McCormick | 23 June 2001 |

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| Ciaran Michael Cummings | 04 July 2001 |
| Gavin Brett | 29 July 2001 |
| Martin O'Hagan | 28 September 2001 |
| Colm Foy | 29 October 2001 |
| Christopher Charles Folliard | 29 October 2001 |
| Francis Martin Mulholland | 03 December 2001 |
| Derek Lenehan | 11 December 2001 |
| William Stobie | 12 December 2001 |
| Danny McColgan | 12 January 2002 |
| Matthew Burns | 21 February 2002 |
| Brian Henry McDonald | 17 April 2002 |
| William Morgan | 06 July 2002 |
| Gerard Lawlor | 22 July 2002 |
| David Samuel Caldwell | 01 August 2002 |
| Stephen Warnock | 13 September 2002 |
| Geoffrey Thomas Gray | 04 October 2002 |
| Alexander McKinley | 07 October 2002 |
| Mark Apsley | 30 November 2002 |
| David Cupples | 22 December 2002 |
| Jonathan Michael Stewart | 27 December 2002 |
| Robert William Green | 02 January 2003 |
| John Maurice Gregg | 01 February 2003 |
| Robert John Carson | 01 February 2003 |
| Michael O'Hare | 01 March 2003 |
| Keith Patrick Rogers | 12 March 2003 |
| James Johnston | 08 May 2003 |
| Alan McCullough | 28 May 2003 |
| Daniel McGurk | 17 August 2003 |
| Thomas Matthew John Allen | 08 November 2003 |
| James Alexander McMahan | 20 November 2003 |
| Andrew Cully | 24 March 2004 |
| Brian Martin Stewart | 18 May 2004 |

Note:

1. Includes all murders which were considered at the time of the incident, to be directly attributed to terrorism or where the cause has a direct or proximate link to subversive/sectarian strife.

If you have any queries regarding your request or the decision please do not hesitate to contact 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.

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