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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2010-00788

Keyword: Crime

Subject: Home Office Offence Codes 88/3

Request and Answer:

Question

In the calendar years 2009 and 2008 how many offences were recorded under Home Office offence codes 88/3 (Unnatural Sexual Offences Intercourse with an animal by a male) and 88/4 (Unnatural Sexual Offences Intercourse with an animal by a female).

Please detail each case including:

- if a person was charged, identify the person charged with offence (first and surname, address, and date of birth) and result of the court case, including plea, verdict and sentence.
- identify species of animal concerned.
- state the date and location of the offence (for location, please be specific).
- if person received another sanction without charge (for example a caution) please state the type of sanction.

Answer

Searches were conducted however these searches failed to locate any records or documents relevant to your request based on the information you have provided. Accordingly, I have determined that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does not hold the information to which you seek access.

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