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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2010-03596

Keyword: Human Resources

Subject: Chief Inspector Posts

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

Between 20/11/2009 and 1/11/2010 how many vacancy bulletins were there for Chief Inspector posts within the PSNI.

Answer

There was 1 promotion process advertised to the rank of Chief Inspector on 18th June 2010 however, this was postponed by the Chief Constable on 1st July 2010.

Question 2

Between 20/11/2009 and 1/11/2010 how many expressions of interest were invited for Chief Inspector posts within the PSNI.

Answer

Recruitment and Selection did not advertise any notices of interest for Chief Inspector rank for posts within PSNI.

Question 3

Between 20/11/2009 and 1/11/2010 how many temporary promotion Superintendent posts became available within Headquarters departments.

Answer

There were 15 established posts occupied by temporary Superintendents during this period and a total of 21 Chief Inspectors, temporarily promoted to Superintendent, required to fill the 15 posts in HQ Departments.

There can be more than one reason for Temporary Promotion including coverage for absence legislative requirements. Additionally, the implementation during this period of restructuring and reduction in number of ranks makes an exact calculation very difficult as the overall establishment and structure would have changed.

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