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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2010-03423

Keyword: Human Resources

Subject: Constables Re-joining Without Recruitment Process

Request and Answer:

This is to inform you that the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) has now completed its search for the information you requested and the answer to your question is as follows.

Question

In the last three years have any regular Constables resigned from the service and been able to re-join without having to go through the external recruitment process?

Answer

The PSNI Human Resources Department have advised that they are not aware of any regular Constables who have resigned within the last three years and been able to return without going through the external recruitment process.

If you have any queries regarding your request or the 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 letter.

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