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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2010-01963

Keyword: Operational Policing

Subject: XRep Taser Stun Device

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 answers to your questions are as follows.

Question 1

Under the Freedom of Information Act please could you tell me whether your police force is or has used the XRep Taser stun device being tested by several police forces.

Answer

I can advise that the PSNI is not nor has it used the XRep Taser stun device being tested by several police forces.

Question 2

How many guns fitted with the XRep Taser device have you in service/available?

Answer

The PSNI have NO guns fitted with the XRep Taser device.

Question 3

If you have used or are using the XRep Taser, please could you provide a breakdown of the total number of times it was deployed, giving details of how many times it was [a] fired [b] discharged in drive stun mode [c] arcing [d] aiming using the red dot [e] drawing of taser but none of above.

Question 4

If the weapon was deployed and either fired or discharged in a drive stun mode, please give details of the incident and any injuries.

Answer

Not applicable as per answers to questions 1 and 2 above.

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.

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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