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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2011-01022

Keyword: Organisational Information/Governance

Subject: Purchase of Land Rovers

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

One further point, please could PSNI provide proof that they purchased the rights for the Hobson-designed fire protection system mentioned in your response.

PSNI purchased some systems as a customer, but Hobsons have no record of PSNI purchasing the IP.

Answer

All work undertaken in relation to this subject is covered by CPD (Central Procurement Directorate) standard contract terms and conditions.

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Question 2

In addition - we understand that PSNI paid AML UK for the wing moulds for the Land Rovers. Is PSNI now claiming IP for these wing moulds. Were PSNI aware that the IP for the wings resided with the designer Hobson Industries and not the manufacturer AML UK.

Answer

The wing moulds were purchased by PSNI from AML and covered by CPD standard contract terms and conditions.

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