



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2012-00756

Keyword: Crime

Subject: Individuals Charged in Belfast 1987-1994

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

As part of my research I am interested in gaining details of those persons charged in Belfast between 1987 - 1994 (by month). I am looking for the following:

Charged with Terrorist offences, divided into: Republican, Loyalist, Murder, Attempted murder, Firearms, Explosives and Armed Robbery.

Answer

Please find the response to your request in the tables attached at the end of the correspondence.

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.

Please be advised that PSNI replies under Freedom of Information may be released into the public domain via our website @ www.psni.police.uk

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

Persons charged with terrorist offences¹ A, B, D and E Divisions by month – 1987

Month	Loyalist ²	Republican ²	Murder	Attempted Murder ³	Firearms	Explosives	Armed Robbery ⁴	Other ⁵	Total ⁶
January	17	1	0	2	5	0	6	5	18
February	13	11	0	1	11	0	7	5	24
March	4	8	0	1	5	0	2	4	12
April	6	9	2	0	9	0	2	2	15
May	7	11	0	0	6	0	4	8	18
June	3	9	0	1	6	2	1	2	12
July	5	4	3	0	1	0	3	2	9
August	9	19	4	0	7	3	4	10	28
September	17	10	6	2	7	0	9	3	27
October	8	11	5	1	0	4	2	7	19
November	7	9	2	0	10	1	3	0	16
December	8	1	0	4	1	0	3	1	9
Total	105⁷	105⁷	25⁷	12	68	10	46	49	210⁷

⁷ Total includes 3 extra charges identified following a review of information. It cannot be determined which month or months these charges relate to.

Persons charged with terrorist offences¹ A, B, D and E Divisions by month – 1988

Month	Loyalist ²	Republican ²	Murder	Attempted Murder ³	Firearms	Explosives	Armed Robbery ⁴	Other ⁵	Total ⁶
January	7	11	0	0	3	5	1	9	18
February	2	3	0	0	3	0	0	2	5
March	7	18	3	0	5	1	3	13	25
April	9	13	0	2	3	0	2	15	22
May	11	8	1	0	5	0	3	10	19
June	8	16	1	4	5	5	2	7	24
July	2	6	0	0	1	1	2	4	8
August	8	2	0	2	5	0	1	2	10
September	4	12	0	0	4	3	0	9	16
October	9	21	3	0	8	2	3	14	30
November	13	10	1	1	4	3	2	12	23
December	2	4	1	2	0	0	0	3	6
Total	82	124	10	11	46	20	19	100	206

Persons charged with terrorist offences¹ A, B, D and E Divisions by month – 1989

Month	Loyalist ²	Republican ²	Murder	Attempted Murder ³	Firearms	Explosives	Armed Robbery ⁴	Other ⁵	Total ⁶
January	2	6	1	1	4	0	0	2	8
February	5	3	0	1	1	0	0	6	8
March	8	1	1	3	3	0	2	0	9
April	6	11	1	6	2	0	2	6	17
May	4	1	0	1	3	0	1	0	5
June	10	16	5	1	6	0	1	13	26
July	8	12	3	0	6	1	3	7	20
August	20	13	2	2	16	4	0	9	33
September	4	7	1	0	5	0	0	5	11
October	18	22	1	4	12	2	4	17	40
November	12	7	0	0	4	0	3	12	19
December	6	14	0	0	11	0	1	8	20
Total	103	113	15	19	73	7	17	85	216

¹ Charges following an arrest under Section 14 of the Prevention of Terrorism Act ² Attribution is as perceived by PSNI based on the information available and does not necessarily indicate the involvement of a paramilitary organisation. ³ Includes conspiracy to murder ⁴ Includes attempted armed robbery ⁵ Includes other offences such as membership and withholding information ⁶ Totals may include persons not attributed as Loyalists or Republican

Persons charged with terrorist offences¹ A, B, D and E Divisions by month – 1990

Month	Loyalist ²	Republican ²	Murder	Attempted Murder ³	Firearms	Explosives	Armed Robbery ⁴	Other ⁵	Total ⁶
January	20	17	1	13	10	0	0	13	37
February	15	7	0	4	6	0	6	6	22
March	10	7	0	0	0	3	3	11	17
April	11	17	0	6	8	4	1	9	28
May	8	12	0	1	7	0	0	12	20
June	11	2	1	5	5	0	1	1	13
July	6	10	0	3	2	1	1	9	16
August	9	1	0	3	3	0	0	4	10
September	1	7	0	3	4	0	0	1	8
October	10	12	5	0	5	3	2	7	22
November	5	13	1	1	4	0	0	12	18
December	5	8	0	4	6	0	0	3	13
Total	111	113	8	43	60	11	14	88	224

Persons charged with terrorist offences¹ A, B, D and E Divisions by month – 1991

Month	Loyalist ²	Republican ²	Murder	Attempted Murder ³	Firearms	Explosives	Armed Robbery ⁴	Other ⁵	Total ⁶
January	9	3	1	1	1	0	5	4	12
February	9	7	0	0	7	0	7	2	16
March	14	19	4	5	9	5	6	4	33
April	8	10	0	1	9	1	0	7	18
May	8	8	4	2	6	0	2	2	16
June	7	18	1	2	5	4	2	11	25
July	7	17	3	6	2	2	2	15	30
August	8	14	2	11	1	0	0	8	22
September	20	18	5	12	6	2	2	11	38
October	21	17	1	6	10	3	2	16	38
November	12	15	3	8	5	1	3	7	27
December	10	12	0	8	2	3	3	6	22
Total	133	158	24	62	63	21	34	93	297

Persons charged with terrorist offences¹ A, B, D and E Divisions by month – 1992

Month	Loyalist ²	Republican ²	Murder	Attempted Murder ³	Firearms	Explosives	Armed Robbery ⁴	Other ⁵	Total ⁶
January	2	19	6	1	3	6	1	4	21
February	16	4	3	0	3	2	4	8	20
March	19	12	11	2	3	0	4	11	31
April	13	12	1	5	7	4	2	6	25
May	14	10	4	4	7	2	2	5	24
June	14	5	0	4	2	0	0	13	19
July	16	13	7	5	4	9	2	2	29
August	7	11	0	2	10	0	1	5	18
September	8	8	2	1	3	1	0	11	18
October	24	3	0	4	2	0	1	20	27
November	15	7	1	8	5	2	1	5	22
December	10	6	0	1	8	3	0	4	16
Total	158	110	35	37	57	29	18	94	270

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Persons charged with terrorist offences¹ A, B, D and E Divisions by month – 1993

Month	Loyalist ²	Republican ²	Murder	Attempted Murder ³	Firearms	Explosives	Armed Robbery ⁴	Other ⁵	Total ⁶
January	17	7	1	2	6	2	0	13	24
February	19	7	0	10	10	0	2	4	26
March	27	11	2	8	12	3	4	9	38
April	10	10	0	0	6	2	1	11	20
May	9	4	0	4	3	2	0	4	13
June	18	2	1	0	6	0	4	9	20
July	23	10	0	0	5	8	12	8	33
August	10	2	1	0	1	0	2	8	12
September	9	7	0	0	3	1	1	11	16
October	18	14	1	4	10	7	2	8	32
November	17	2	2	0	5	0	4	8	19
December	9	3	0	0	4	0	1	7	12
Total	186	79	8	28	71	25	33	100	265

Persons charged with terrorist offences¹ A, B, D and E Divisions by month – 1994

Month	Loyalist ²	Republican ²	Murder	Attempted Murder ³	Firearms	Explosives	Armed Robbery ⁴	Other ⁵	Total ⁶
January	13	4	1	2	7	1	5	1	17
February	18	15	0	11	9	4	0	9	33
March	22	5	1	3	10	0	3	10	27
April	20	1	4	4	7	1	2	3	21
May	29	3	3	8	10	2	2	7	32
June	24	5	6	0	5	5	1	12	29
July	9	7	1	2	5	2	4	2	16
August	15	5	5	3	1	0	0	11	20
September	13	0	0	0	1	0	2	10	13
October	14	1	0	0	4	0	0	11	15
November	6	2	0	0	0	0	1	7	8
December	2	4	0	0	4	0	1	1	6
Total	185	52	21	33	63	15	21	84	237

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A Division comprises – Musgrave Street, Donegall Pass, Moutpottinger, Dunmurry

B Division comprises – Grosvenor Road, Woodbourne, Lisburn

D Division comprises – North Queen Street, Tennent Street, Antrim Road, Newtownabbey, Carrickfergus, Antrim

E Division comprises – Strandtown, Castlereagh, Bangor and Stormont

Source: Statistics Branch, Police Service of Northern Ireland, Lisnasharragh