



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2012-02018

Keyword: Organisational Information/Governance

Subject: Counter Terrorist Checks

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

Clarification received: Please note that by 'serving police officers' I mean police officers who were serving at some point. I do not just mean police officers who are still serving.

I would like to request details of the numbers of serving police officers who have failed a counter-terrorist check (CTC) since the checks were introduced.

In each case please list the following:

- a) The rank of the officer
- b) The year of the CTC check
- c) A very short description of why he failed the check (e.g. believed to have attended terrorist training camp)
- d) What the outcome was of failing to pass the CTC (e.g. was the officer dismissed, did he resign, did he keep his job, did it go to a tribunal)
- e) If it went to a tribunal did it result in an out of court settlement, or was compensation paid, and if so what was the amount of the settlement/compensation?

Answer

No police officers have failed a Counter Terrorist Check.

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