



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2012-01878

Keyword: Organisational Information/Governance

Subject: PRRT

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

Can you confirm if PRRT have been engaged in, or are currently employed by PSNI to furnish administrative support, research, feasibility studies or reports for any departments within the police service?

Answer

The PRRT Management Statement and Financial Memorandum (MSFM), agreed with N Ireland Office and Department of Justice NIO/DOJ, provides, inter alia, for “employment support”. PRRT have created a “consultancy service” which provides a pool of former officers available to undertake consultancy work. One of PRRT’s clients has been PSNI. This consultancy work may have offered administrative support, research, feasibility studies or reports and/or recommended policy to PSNI. PRRT is not currently undertaking any such consultancy work for PSNI.

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.