



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2013-03025

Keyword: Complaints/Discipline

Subject: Misconduct of Police Officers /Staff during Policing of G8

Request and Answer:

Question 1

Were any officers or police staff - either from the PSNI or deployed from other police services across the UK - arrested during or around the G8 in Northern Ireland in June of this year?

Answer

No police staff and no police officers either from the PSNI or deployed from other police services were arrested for incidents in any way related to the G8 summit which was held in Northern Ireland in June 2013.

Question 2

Were any officers or police staff - from the PSNI or otherwise - disciplined for any activity during or around the G8?

Answer

No police staff and no police officers from the PSNI or otherwise, were disciplined for any activity in any way related to the G8 summit.

Question 3

Were/are any officers or police staff - from the PSNI or otherwise - subject to investigation due to any misconduct during or around the G8?

Answer

No police staff and no police officers, from the PSNI or otherwise, were subject to investigation due to any misconduct in any way related to the G8 summit.

Question 4

If any officers or police staff were arrested, disciplined or were/are subject to investigation during this time, under what circumstances did these occur? How many were involved, and from which police services were they deployed?

Answer

Not relevant, please see responses to questions 1 to 3.

Question 5

During the G8 in Northern Ireland, what was the official procedure to deal with misconduct by officers or police staff brought in from other parts of the UK to help police the event?

Answer

No police staff were brought in from other parts of the UK. The Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland has the legislative authority to deal with misconduct by officers brought in from other parts of the UK to assist the PSNI. This is by virtue and subject to arrangement under Section 60 of the Police (NI) Act 1998 <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1998/32/contents>

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