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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2015-01087

**Keyword:** Human Resources

**Subject:** Minutes of Examination Board Meeting

### Request and Answer:

#### Question

Previous FOI Response - F-2015-00718 refers

Please confirm that the examination board meeting minutes to approve the results do not include any information relevant to my request. In particular I would highlight that the requirement is for records held on the date of my request which will include any handwritten notes taken by PSNI attendees.

Clarification: I believe some of the information I requested in my FOI would have been contained in the minutes of the Examination Board meeting to approve the results. In such circumstances I believe they should have been disclosed or the information abstracted and provided.

Further Clarification: My request is for the Police Examination Board minutes of the meeting held to discuss and approve the Inspectors Promotion results in February 2015.

#### Answer

Searches were conducted however these searches failed to locate any records or documents relevant to your request based on the information you have provided. Accordingly, I have determined that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does not hold the information to which you seek access.

The record keeper has confirmed that no meeting of Police Examination Board relevant to your request has taken place and as such there are no minutes relevant to your request. A debrief of the assessment centre was carried out by a panel made up of members of the Strategic Promotions and Examinations Board (SPEB) and an Independent Equality Advisor and the record keeper has confirmed that the debrief does not hold any information relevant to your request.

As stated in the response to your previous FOI request (F-2015-00718) the requested details in relation to the distribution of scores are prepared by the College of Policing who have sole access to these assessment materials and as such, no discussion relating to the analysis of scores has taken place at any meeting within the PSNI.

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](mailto: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.