



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2015-03391

Keyword: Human Resources

Subject: Officers Promoted from Selection List Out of Order

Request and Answer:

Question

I would respectfully request the following response.

In the current Sergeant / Inspector promotion process 2014/2015 how many officers have been promoted off the selection list out of selection order. For example has an officer ranked on the list as No. 260 been promoted before someone at No. 200?

Answer

Your request for information has now been considered. In respect of Section 1(1)(a) of the Act I can confirm that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does hold information to which your request relates. The decision has been taken to disclose the following.

In the current Sergeant / Inspector promotion process 2014/2015 there have been a total of 20 officers promoted out of selection order, 15 of which were promoted as a result of priority promotions and 5 as a result of derogation.

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