



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2015-02256

Keyword: Operational Policing

Subject: Police Information Notices

Request and Answer:

Question

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please could you tell me the following: a) The number of Police Information Notices (PINs) or Harassment Warning Notices were issued by your police force for the last three years?

b) The number of PINs retrospectively considered inappropriate or subsequently removed for each of the years specified?

If numbers for b) are unavailable, please just send the information related to a).

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.

YEAR	Number of PINs Issued
2012 (from September)	4
2013	1066
2014	1636
2015 (to date)	712

The information is not held in a way that makes it possible to answer part b within the 18 hours permitted under the Act.

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.