



## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2020-01639

**Keyword:** Organisational Information/Governance

**Subject:** Black Lives Matter Protests

### Request and Answer:

Your request for information has now been considered. In respect of Section 1(1)(a) of the Act we can confirm that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does not hold information in relation to your requests.

#### Request 1

Please confirm if you have sent any correspondence from the PSNI to the Home Office following the Black Lives Matter protests in Belfast and Londonderry/Derry on 6th June 2020.

#### Request 2

Please provide sufficient details on the nature of any correspondence between the PSNI and the Home Office.

Please include copies of any correspondence which you hold on paper or in electronic form. I would be grateful if you would supply this information in the form of photocopies or, if possible, by email.

#### Answer

Enquiries have been made with various departments, districts and business areas across PSNI in relation to your request and have failed to locate any records or documents relevant to your request based on the information you have provided. Based on these searches, no correspondence has been sent to the Home Office following the Black Lives Matter protests in Belfast and Londonderry/Derry on 6th June 2020. Accordingly, I have determined that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does not hold the information to which you seek access.

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 Corporate Information Branch, 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 Corporate Information Branch, 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.

Please be advised that PSNI replies under Freedom of Information may be released into the public domain via our website @ [www.psni.police.uk](http://www.psni.police.uk)

Personal details in respect of your request have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.