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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000302-2022 Request Part Grant

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 8th August, 2022 which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 (FOI Act) for records held by An Garda Síochána.

Part 1(n) of Schedule 1 of the FOI Act states that An Garda Síochána is listed as a partially included agency "insofar as it relates to administrative records relating to human resources, or finance or procurement matters". Therefore, only administrative records that relate to human resources, finance or procurement shall be considered.

Your request sought:

Can I have access to the following non personal information. How many gardaí from Longford and Granard garda station have been transferred to other districts between June 2019 and start of August 2022, how many gardaí have retired during the same period and how many new gardaí have been added to both division's ranks during the same period

I wish to inform you that I have decided to part-grant your request on the 26th August 2022.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision.

Upon receipt your request was forwarded to the relevant sections of An Garda Síochána who have provided records to this office in response to your request.

In regard to the records sought I can advise that 43 Garda members transferred from the Longford/ Granard Districts and 10 members retired.

I am refusing to supply the record of the number of new gardaí that have been assigned to both Longford and Granard districts for period June 2019 to August 2022. I am doing so in accordance with Section 15(1)(i) of the FOI which states;

- 15. (1) A head to whom an FOI request is made may refuse to grant the request where -
 - (i) the request relates to records already released, either to the same or a previous requester where
 - (i) the records are available to the requestor concerned

This information was released to you in a previous Freedom of Information request (FOI-000289-2022). An Garda Síochána publishes all decisions made on requests for non-personal information, including the full decision letter, on its website. The relevant decision and released records are available by following the link below.

https://garda.ie/en/information-centre/freedom-of-information/decision-log/decision-letter-foi-000289-2022-new-garda-longford-granard-2019-2022.pdf

2. Right of Appeal

In the event that you are not happy with this decision you may seek an Internal Review of the matter by writing to the address below and quoting reference number FOI-000302-2022.

Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Síochána, Athlumney House, IDA Business Park, Navan, Co. Meath. C15 ND62.

Please note that a fee applies. This fee has been set at €30 (€10 for a Medical Card holder). Payment should be made by way of bank draft, money order, postal order or personal cheque, and made payable to Accountant, Garda Finance Directorate, Garda Headquarters, Phoenix Park, Dublin 8. Payment can be made by electronic means, using the following details:

Account Name: An Garda Síochána Imprest Account

Account Number: 30000302

Sort Code: 951599

IBAN: IE28DABA95159930000302

BIC: DABAIE2D

You must ensure that your FOI reference number (FOI-000302-2022) is included in the payment details.

You should submit your request for an Internal Review within 4 weeks from the date of this notification. The review will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of An Garda Síochána and the decision will be communicated to you within 3 weeks. The making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances.

Please be advised that An Garda Síochána replies under Freedom of Information may be released in to the public domain via our website at www.garda.ie.

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

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact the FOI Office by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

PAUL BASSETT

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

25 AUGUST, 2022.