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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000226-2020 Request Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated 3rd July, 2020 and received on 6th July, 2020 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:

- 1. How many Gardaí in Longford-Roscommon, Sligo Leitrim, and Cavan-Monaghan Districts were injured as a result of assaults between January 1st 2020 and July 1st in tabular form?*
- 2. How many Gardaí in Longford-Roscommon, Sligo Leitrim, and Cavan-Monaghan Districts were forced off work as a result on incidents during between January 1st 2020 and July 1st in tabular form?*
- 3. The type of injuries or medical treatment received by Gardaí as a result of assault in Longford-Roscommon, Sligo Leitrim, and Cavan-Monaghan Districts between January 1st 2020 and July 1st in tabular form?*

4. *The longest time a garda was on sick leave due to an injury during work in the Longford-Roscommon, Sligo Leitrim, and Cavan-Monaghan Districts between January 1st 2020 and July 1st in tabular form?*

I have now made a decision to grant your request on 30th July, 2020. Your request has been numbered for ease of reference.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision.

Details of your request were provided to the Human Resources and the Health and Safety Sections of An Garda Síochána to identify records containing the information you have requested. Records have been located in respect of your request.

Please find attached tables that details the information requested in Part 1, 2 & 3 of your FOI request.

Part 1

Assault	
Cavan / Monaghan	3
Roscommon / Longford	4
Sligo / Leitrim	0
Total	7

*Stats from 1st January 2020 to 9th July 2020

Part 2

Division	January	February	March	April	May	June
Cavan/ Monaghan	5	7	6	6	5	5
Roscommon/ Longford	7	6	6	7	6	6
Sligo / Leitrim	7	5	6	5	6	5

*Reports are run at the end of each month, therefore July is not available at present

Part 3

	Bruising/Grazes	Open Wounds	Other	Serious Multiple Injuries	Sprain/Strain	Total
Cavan/ Monaghan	1	1	0	0	1	3
Roscommon/ Longford	2	0	1	1	0	4
Sligo / Leitrim	0	0	0	0	0	0

*Stats from 1st January 2020 to 9th July 2020

I am refusing to release the request for the medical treatment received in accordance with Section 15 (1) (a) as the record do not exist in the format requested.

Refusal on administrative grounds to grant FOI requests

15(1)(a) the record concerned does not exist or cannot be found after all reasonable steps to ascertain its whereabouts have been taken

Part 4 of your request seeks “*The longest time a garda was on sick leave due to an injury during work in the Longford-Roscommon, Sligo Leitrim, and Cavan-Monaghan Districts between January 1st 2020 and July 1st*” the table below supplies the number of members out on sick leave for the period requested, please note the data requested is up to the 30th June, 2020. The report that collates this information is run at end of every moth therefore July stats are not available at present.

Division	January 1st – June 30th 2020
Cavan/ Monaghan	2
Roscommon/ Longford	3
Sligo / Leitrim	6

An Garda Síochána is very mindful to the significant occupational demands placed on its members and the exposure to very stressful and traumatic situations. Critical support is provided by the Chief Medical Officer, the Employee Assistance Service, the Peer Support Network and counselling services.

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-000226-2020**.

Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Síochána, Athlumney House, IDA Business Park, Johnstown, Navan, Co. Meath, C15 DR90.

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: Garda Síochána Finance Section Public Bank Account

Account Number: 10026896

Sort Code: 900017

IBAN: IE86BOFI90001710026896

BIC: BOFIIIE2D

You must ensure your FOI reference number FOI-000226-2020 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 wish to discuss the above, please contact the FOI office by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
PAUL BASSETT
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

30th JULY, 2020.