# An Garda Síochána

Oifig Saorála Fáisnéise An Garda Síochána, Teach áth Luimnigh Lárionad Gnó Udáras Forbartha Tionscail Baile Sheáin , An Uaimh Contae na Mí C15 DR90



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Ms. Laura Colgan

## Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000297-2017 Request Granted

### Dear Ms. Colgan,

I refer to your request, dated and received on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017, 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.

As previously advised in my correspondence dated 6<sup>th</sup> July 2017, your original request was segregated into 3 individual requests. In respect of this particular request, I understand a member of staff from my office spoke with you and it was agreed that you would amend your original request as follows:

'The number of reported injuries to Gardaí whilst on duty for the following years: 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 01/01/2017 – 30/06/2017'

I have now made a decision to grant your request on 12th July, 2017.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

### 1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision.

On receipt of your request, a search was conducted in the Health & Safety Section of An Garda Síochána regarding the reported injuries to Gardaí whilst on duty in the years as set out in your request.

Please see table below which outlines the number of injuries recorded by members on duty for years 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

INJURIES ON DUTY FROM 2012 TO 2017 (to 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2017)							
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017 (Jan- June)	Grand Total
Total	412	532	646	654	688	277	3209

An Garda Síochána is very mindful to the significant occupational demands placed on its members, the exposure to injuries and very stressful and traumatic situations. Critical support is provided by the Chief Medical Officer, Employee Assistance Service, the Peer Support Network and counseling 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 F01-000297 2017.

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: IE86B0F190001710026896

**BIC:** BOFIIE2D

You must ensure your FOI reference number FOI-000297-2017 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 me by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,

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13 July 2017