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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000065-2017. Request Partially Granted.

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 21st February, 2017 which you made under the Freedom of Information Act (F01) 2014 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:

- A) *The number of recruit Gardai that were allocated to each Garda District in the Dublin Region following the graduation from the Garda Training Centre in the year 2016 and to-date in 2017 eg In 2016 x amount of new Gardai were transferred to the K District, Y number of new Gardai were transferred to B District etc*
- B) *The next 2 dates when recruit Gardai will attest from the Garda Training Centre; and the next 2 dates when new recruits will start their training at Garda Training Centre*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to partially grant your request on the 8th March, 2017.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decisions.

I advise that I am refusing to provide you with the number of Garda Probationers (recruits) allocated to the Dublin Garda Districts. The purpose of Part1(n) of Schedule 1 (cited above) is to restrict the right of access to those functions or processes of An Garda Síochána that relate to the administration or management of the Organisation, and only in

relation to matters concerning human resources, or finance or procurement. As a result the core business of An Garda Síochána is safeguarded from release under the provisions of the FOI Act. A part of the core functions is the operational necessity to meet public demands with regard to security and public safety.

The allocation of Gardaí within a Division is determined by the Chief Superintendent of that Division in response to specific operational demands. Therefore the HRM allocation of resources, at an administrative level, is to Garda Division but beyond that it is an operational function.

I am therefore providing you with details of the allocation of Garda Probationers to the 6 D.M.R. Divisions between 1st January, 2016 and 28th February, 2017 in the table below:

Division	Total Probationers
D.M.R. East	29
D.M.R. North	47
D.M.R. North Central	55
D.M.R. South	47
D.M.R. South Central	58
D.M.R. West	47
Total	283

With regard to part B of your request, I advise that the next two graduation ceremonies from the Garda College are scheduled for the 20th April and the 6th July, 2017. The next two intakes of students to the Garda College are expected on the 8th May and the 7th July, 2017.

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-000065-2017**.

Freedom of Information, 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: BOFIIIE2D

You must ensure that your FOI reference number (FOI-000055-2017) 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 have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact me by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,



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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER.



MARCH, 2017.