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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000080-2021 Request Refused

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 25th February, 2021 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:

Copies of any and all correspondence sent to An Garda Síochána by Warner Music or any other music publishing company in relation to the use of the song Jerusalema in the Garda Jerusalema Challenge Video since February 1 this year.

Copies of any requests for payments from Warner Music or any other music publishing company for the use of the song Jerusalema since February 1 this year.

I wish to inform you that I have decided to refuse your request on 9th March, 2021.

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 Press Office of An Garda Síochaná where a search was conducted in respect of same. I wish to advise you that no records were identified. Therefore, I am refusing your request in accordance with Section 15(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act which states;

15(1) A head to whom an FOI request is made may refuse to grant the request where—
(a) The record concerned does not exist or cannot be found after all reasonable steps to ascertain its whereabouts have been taken,

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-000080-2021.

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-000080-2021 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

7 MARCH, 2021