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Date:

Mrs. Catherine Murphy
Dáil Éireann,

Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000086-2017

Partially Granted

Dear Mrs. Murphy,

I refer to your request, dated 1st March, 2017 and received on 2nd March, 2017 which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI Act) 2014 for records held by An Garda Síochána. I am aware that a member of my staff discussed this application with a member of your staff.

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) A breakdown of Garda expenditure by Region per year from 2014 to 2016 and*
- (2) Offence rates for county Kildare in 2015 and 2016 broken down by offence category and year.*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to partially grant your request on the 27th March, 2017.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision.

Records were sought from the Finance Section with regard to the first part of your request. A response was provided which shows the expenditure for each of the six Garda Regions for years 2014 to 2016. The figures provided below represent costs associated with each region and include salaries, subsistence and travel allowance, IT equipment and training/development costs etc.

Expenditure by Region for years 2014 to 2016

Region	2016	2015	2014
Dublin Metropolitan Region	311,097,130	302,146,838	292,689,062
Eastern Region	115,783,102	114,058,782	110,265,237
South Eastern Region	94,243,174	92,412,641	89,761,386
Southern Region	158,682,460	161,944,325	159,887,113
Western Region	116,275,274	116,581,494	111,285,804
Northern Region	102,383,728	102,417,097	100,742,497

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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 **F01-000086-2017**.

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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: BOFIE2D

You must ensure that your FOI reference number FOI-000086-2017 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 OFFICE

29th March, 2017