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Mr. Mick Wallace, TD

Re: Freedom of Information Request 000092-2017 Partially Granted

Dear Mr. Wallace,

I refer to your request, dated 3rd March 2017 and received on the 3rd March 2017, 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 Freedom of Information Act 2014 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 is shown below:

I would like to request under Freedom of Information, all email correspondence / any other, between An Garda Síochána and the Policing Authority, concerning the appointment of Assistant Commissioner posts within An Garda Síochána, from November 1st 2016 - March 2nd 2017.

I wish to inform you that I have decided to part-grant your request on the 31st March, 2017.

The purpose of this letter is to explain that decision.

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1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decisions to deny access

On receipt of your correspondence, I can advise you that searches were conducted in the following offices of An Garda Síochána in respect of your request: Office of the Commissioner, Policing Authority Liaison Office, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer and Office of the Executive Director of HRM.

Having reviewed the information provided by the offices above, a number of redactions have been applied to the compiled correspondence. While these redactions are not applied under a specific section of the FOI Act, some of the information contained herein does not specifically relate to your request and therefore, this information has been withheld. Three schedules of records have been supplied as a covering for each office outlining the redactions applied and the reason for same. These schedules are titled as follows:

Schedule of Records 1 – Commissioner’s Office

Schedule of Records 2 – Chief Administrative Office

Schedule of Records 3 – Policing Authority Liaison Office

The Assistant Commissioner competition was announced on the Policing Authority website on 25th January 2017. A total of 31 applications were received for this competition. The selection process was conducted by a Selection Board appointed by the Authority which included an external Chairperson. Applications were shortlisted and preliminary interviews took place between the 6th and 10th March with the final competitive interviews taking place on 21st March. On conclusion of the selection process, a panel of 5 candidates was established and the first appointment from this panel was made on 24th March 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-000092-2017**.

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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

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You must ensure that your FOI reference number 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,

 **SUPERINTENDENT**
HELEN DEELY
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER.

3RD APRIL 2017.