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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000333-2017 Transfer of Request

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 26th July, 2017 which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2014 for records held by An Garda Síochána.

Your request sought:

Annual number of grievances made by members of the public for each calendar year 2007-2016 since 9th May 2007 that were processed through Local Intervention, that mechanism provided for resolution of grievances before being registered as a complaint under section 83 of the Garda Síochána Act 2005; and

Annual number of grievances made by members of the public for each calendar year 2007-2016 since 9th May 2007 that were finalized by the Garda Síochána through Local Intervention, i.e. were closed before being registered formally as a complaint to/with GSOC.

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 the records sought do not relate to human resources, finance or procurement, I advise that your request is outside the scope of the FOI Act insofar as it pertains to An Garda Síochána.

The Garda Síochána Ombudsman Commission (GSOC), established in May 2007, is responsible for investigating complaints made by members of the public against members of An Garda Síochána. In this regard, all complaints made by the public to An Garda Síochána will be forwarded to GSOC for consideration. Members of the public can make a complaint directly to GSOC, without informing An Garda Síochána, resulting in GSOC having a comprehensive catalogue of all complaints made against Garda members. As a result, the records you seek are not held by An Garda Síochána and therefore, I am now transferring your request to the Garda Síochána Ombudsman Commission.

GSOC can be contacted at 150 Upper Abbey Street, Dublin 1, Ireland, D01 FT73 or alternatively you can email them at info@gsoc.ie with your request.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact me by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,

SUPERINTENDENT

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

4. August 2017