# An Garda Síochána

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# Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000126-2015

## Dear

I refer to the Freedom of Information Act 2014 and to your submissions to this Body, dated and received on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2015.

Part 1 Schedule 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014 states that An Garda Siochana 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 show below:

"Seeking records of correspondence relating to the possible procurement of tasers to protect gardaí dating between 1st January 2015 and today, 3rd November 2015."

I understand that following discussions with a member of my staff that you are prepared to accept the cost of tasers from 2013 to 2015.

have now made a final decision to grant your request on 25<sup>th</sup> I. November 2015.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

## 1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decisions

The figures provided are extracted from the Financial Management System within An Garda Siochana. Two figures are provided and refer to the cost of purchasing tasers from 1st January 2013 to 30th September 2015 and the second figure refers to the cost of purchasing parts associated with the tasers during the same period.

A total of €38,000 was spent in the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2013 to 30th September 2015 on the purchase of tasers. In the same period an additional €116,358 was spent on consumables for the tasers. The consumables would include parts and ammunition.

## 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 F0I-000126-2015.

Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Siochana, 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 Siochana Finance Section Public Bank Account

Account Number: 10026896

Sort Code: 900017

IBAN: 1E86B0F190001710026896

BIC: BOFIIE2D

## Your must ensure that your FOI reference number is included in the payment details.

You should submit your request for an Internal Review within 20 working days from the date of this notification. A working day excludes the weekend and public holidays. The review will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of An Garda Siochana and the decision will be communicated to you within 3 weeks, The making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances.

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

Yours sincerely,

## Freedom of Information Officer.

25th November 2015