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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000199-2016 Request Not In Valid Form.

Dear

I refer to your request, dated 22/5/2016 and received on 23/05/2016 which you have made under "Section 7 of the Freedom of Information Act, 1997 & 2003 & 2015" for records held by An Garda Síochána.

Your request sought:

I would like to know how much stolen property, broken down by type, was recovered by the gardaí of the Roscommon/Longford division last year. I would like to know how much of this was returned to their owners and how much remains in garda custody.

I would further like to know how many vehicles have been seized by gardai in the division and for what reason in 2014 and 2015, and how many have been released to their owners.

Under the Freedom of Information Act, 2014 requests for information are sought under section 12(1) which states:

- 12. (1) A person who wishes to exercise the right of access shall make a request, in writing or in such other form as may be determined, addressed to the head of the FOI body concerned for access to the record concerned—
 - (a) stating that the request is made under this Act,
 - (b) containing sufficient particulars in relation to the information concerned to enable the record to be identified by the taking of reasonable steps, and
 - (c) if the person requires such access to be given in a particular form or manner (being a form or manner referred to in section 17), specifying the form or manner of access.

Therefore your request as it stands is not a valid Freedom of Information request. If you wish this matter to be considered under the Freedom of Information Act, 2014 you should resubmit your request citing section 12 of the Act.

However, 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.

I wish to inform you that the information you are seeking is outside the scope of the Freedom of Information Act 2014 insofar as it pertains to An Garda Síochána, in that the records sought by you are not administrative records relating to human resources, finance or procurement.

Yours sincerely,

SUPERINTENDENT

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

23 May 2016