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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000249-2018 Request Part Grant

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 26th June, 2018 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 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) *Records outlining details of each (location, number of members etc.) Garda to Sergeant interview board in the 2018 competition, to include:*
- 2) *The lowest result given by each board which sent a member to the second round interview.*
- 3) *A gender breakdown of each successful candidate, by board.*
- 4) *The average result received by members sent through to second round, by board*

I seek no personal information.

I wish to inform you that I have decided to part-grant your request on the 24th July 2018.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

On receipt your request was forwarded to Human Resource and People Development to conduct a search for the relevant records.

Human Resources and People Development have advised that the Garda – Sergeant Promotions Competition 2017 consists of 14 regional interview boards 2 of these are still in progress for the first round of interviews. The table below answers Part 1, 2 and 3 of your request.

Interview Board	Total number of candidates interviewed	Lowest Mark (successful candidates)	Male	Female	Area/Locations
Connaught/ Ulster A	112	206	34	14	Galway, Mayo, Roscommon/Longford, Donegal, Cavan/Monaghan, Sligo/Leitrim
Connaught/ Ulster B	ongoing	ongoing	ongoing	ongoing	Galway, Mayo, Roscommon/Longford, Donegal, Cavan/Monaghan, Sligo/Leitrim
Munster 1	ongoing	ongoing	ongoing	ongoing	Cork City, Cork North, Cork West
Munster 2	92	180	26	11	Garda College, Tipperary, Waterford
Munster 3	116	195	22	27	Clare, Kerry, Limerick
DMR 1A	119	179	31	19	DMR North, DMR North Central, DMR South
DMR 1B	111	180	29	18	DMR North, DMR North Central, DMR South
DMR 2	113	206	38	10	Criminal Assets Bureau, DMR Traffic, Garda Bureau of Community Engagement, Garda National Bureau of Criminal Investigation, Garda National Drugs & Organised Crime Bureau, Garda National Economic Crime Bureau, Garda National Immigration Bureau, Garda National Protective Services Bureau, Operational Support Services, Special Crime Operations, Special

					Detective Unit, Special Tactics Operations Command
DMR 3A	93	201	26	12	DMR East, DMR South Central, Wexford, Wicklow
DMR 3B	91	211	32	6	DMR East, DMR South Central, Wexford, Wicklow
DMR 4A	77	187	26	6	DMR West, Louth, Meath
DMR 4B	79	194	26	8	DMR West, Louth, Meath
Garda HQ	64	216	20	10	Commissioner's Office, Deputy Commissioner Policing & Security, Executive Director of Finance, Garda Analysis Service, Garda National Roads Policing Bureau, Garda National Technical Bureau, Garda Professional Standards Unit, Human Resource Management, Information Technology, Internal Affairs, Legal Services & Human Rights, Liaison & Protection, Policy & Planning Unit, Policy Development, Implementation & Monitoring, Security & Intelligence, Telecommunications
Leinster	103	193	29	15	Kildare, Kilkenny/Carlow, Laois/Offaly, Westmeath

*Information correct as at 18th July 2018

In relation to part 4 of your request that seeks “*the average result received by members sent through to second round, by board*” there are no records, and in accordance with Section 15(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2014 I am refusing part 4 of your request.

Section 15- Refusal on administrative grounds to grant FOI requests

15(1)(a) the record concerned does not exist or cannot be found after all reasonable steps to ascertain its whereabouts have been taken

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-000249-2018**.

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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: IE86BOFI90001710026896

BIC: BOFIE2D

You must ensure that your FOI reference number (FOI-000249-2018) 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,



SHARON KENNEDY
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

24 JULY, 2018