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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000306-2018 Request Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 26th July, 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:

Materials providing details on how many gardai were injured while on duty in Cork city, Cork West and Cork North in 2015, 2016, 2017 and to date in 2018 in accidents or attacks on gardai; the nature and gravity of such injuries; the length of time victims of such injuries were on sick leave, and how many remain on sick leave to date.

I wish to inform you that I have decided to grant your request on the 13th August, 2018.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

Upon receipt, details of your request were forwarded to the Garda Health and Safety Unit and the HR Directorate of An Garda Síochána who conducted a search for the records you have

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requested. This Office has been briefed and records have been provided for consideration under the FOI Act.

Upon review of these records I have decided to grant your request. The records are provided herewith attached at Appendix A and B. Appendix A relates to the number of Gardaí injured whilst on duty and the nature of such injuries in the Cork City, Cork West and Cork North Garda Divisions. Appendix B outlines the total number of days lost due to injury on duty. It also provides the number of members that are currently absent due to injury on duty in the three Cork Divisions.

Please note that the figures provided in relation to the total number of days lost due to injury on duty do not account for Gardaí who were injured in the course of duty but did not avail of sick leave.

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-000306-2018**.

Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Síochána, Athlumney House, IDA Business Park, 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 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-000306-2018 is included in the payment details.

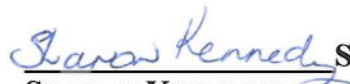
You should submit your request for an Internal Review within 4 weeks from the date of this notification. The review will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of An Garda Síochána and the decision will be communicated to you within 3 weeks. The making of a late appeal 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,

 **SUPERINTENDENT**
SHARON KENNEDY
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

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Gardaí injured on duty in Cork City, North & West Divisions by Year & Cause (as of 30/07/2018)												
YEAR	DIVISION	Assault	Body movement (Resulting in injury)	Contact with something sharp, pointed or rough	Injured by animal	Manual Handling	Needle Injury/Stab /Blood or body fluid exposure	Other	Psychological shock or trauma	Road Traffic Collision	Slips/Trips /Falls	Grand Total
2015	CORK CITY	15		2			7			1	3	28
	CORK NORTH	7				3				4	1	15
	CORK WEST	5					2		1	1	3	12
	2015 Total	27		2		3	9		1	6	7	55
2016	CORK CITY	20		1	1	2	4			7	4	39
	CORK NORTH	8				3						11
	CORK WEST	9		2							1	12
	2016 Total	37		3	1	5	4			7	5	62
2017	CORK CITY	15		2	1		1			9	5	33
	CORK NORTH	11		1		3				2	4	21
	CORK WEST	3		1			3			2	2	11
	2017 Total	29		4	1	3	4			13	11	65
2018	CORK CITY	1	3	3	1		1	1		1	4	15
	CORK NORTH	1								2	1	4
	CORK WEST	2										3
	2018 Total	4	3	3	1		1	1		3	6	22
	Grand Total	97	3	12	3	11	18	1	1	29	29	204

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Reference No: FOI 000-306-18

Materials providing details on how many Gardaí were injured while on duty in Cork City, Cork West & Cork North in 2015, 2016, 2017 & to date in 2018 in accidents or attacks on Gardaí; the nature & gravity of such injuries; the length of time victims of such injuries were on sick leave, & how many remain on sick leave to date.

The table below sets out the total number of days lost due to Injury on Duty by Sworn Members of An Garda Síochána in the years 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 (01.01.2018 – 31.07.2018) broken down by Operational Division (Cork City, Cork West & Cork North).

- *Sick Leave Statistics for 2015 as recorded on SAMS (Sickness Absence Management System) and reported @ 03.02.2016*
- *Sick Leave Statistics for 2016 as recorded on SAMS and reported @ 01.02.2017*
- *Sick Leave Statistics for 2017 as recorded on SAMS and reported @ 06.02.2018*
- *Sick Leave Statistics for 2018 (01.01.2018 – 31.07.2018) as recorded on SAMS and reported @ 01.08.2018*
- *The Total No. of Sick Days recorded on SAMS are the number of calendar days that sworn members are absent, and may also include weekends and rest days.*

Total number of days lost due to Injury on Duty by Sworn Members of An Garda Síochána

	2015	2016	2017	2018 01.01.18 – 31.07.18
Cork City	1127	2481	2935.5	2447.5
Cork North	1905.5	1848	2682.5	2089.5
Cork West	792	307.5	361.0	631.0
TOTAL	3824.5	4636.5	5979.0	5168.0

Please note the above figures do not account for members who were injured in the course of duty but did not avail of sick leave.

**No of Sworn Members Currently Absent due to
Injury on Duty as @ 31.07.2018**

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