Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000017-2021
Request Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 12th January, 2021 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:

Under the FOI Act 2014, I am seeking the following:
- The number of physical assaults/attacks that have taken place on gardaí for the full calendar year of 2020. If full year data is not yet available, please advise and I will resubmit this request when it is ready. If it is available, I am seeking a breakdown by the type of injuries sustained by the officers in each of the attacks, and broken down by Garda division as per the following decision (https://www.garda.ie/en/information-centre/freedom-of-information/decision-log/decision-letter-foi-000316-2020-assaults.pdf)

I have now made a decision to grant your request on 2nd February, 2021.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.
1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision.

Details of your request were provided to the Health and Safety Section of An Garda Síochána to identify records containing the information you have requested. Records have been located in respect of your request.

Please find attached a table that details the number of assaults/attacks on Gardaí broken down by Division and the types of injuries sustained for 2020. I wish to advise that the figures are liable to change due to late notifications and sometimes significantly later than when the incident occurred.

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-000017-2021.


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: An Garda Síochána Imprest Account
Account Number: 30000302
Sort Code: 951599
IBAN: IE28DABA95159930000302
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You must ensure your FOI reference number FOI-000017-2021 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 wish to discuss the above, please contact the FOI office by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
PAUL BASSETT
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

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