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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000302-2019 Request Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 25th July, 2019 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:

Records for the years 2008 to 2018 of the total amount of Trainee Guards that graduated from the Garda College including the details of the grade/level they achieved.

I have now made a decision to **grant** your request on 19th August, 2019.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision.

Upon receipt, your request was forwarded to the Garda College who supplied the following information. In the years 2008 to 2012, Student Gardai graduated with a BA Degree in Police Studies, Level 7. However from 2014 there was a name change and Trainees were then referred to as Student Trainees and they graduated with a BA Degree in Applied Policing, Level 7. There were no graduations in the years 2013, 2014, 2015. The table below details the total amount of Trainee Guards who have graduated from the Garda College and the grades they achieved.

BA Degree in Police Studies (Level 7) 2008-2012					
Year	Distinction	Merit 1	Merit 2	Pass	Total
2008	125	73	3	47	248
	163	88	3	26	280
	146	76	4	12	238
2009	177	56	1	27	261
	178	83	1	27	289
	170	88	0	17	275
	102	100	2	16	220
2010	137	104	3	18	262
	160	89	2	19	270
	111	74	1	42	228
	162	81	2	14	259
	180	73	3	11	267
2011	136	107	3	16	262
	60	36	0	14	110
	85	18	0	23	126
	68	32	2	21	123
2012	1	3	0	15	19
	0	0	0	3	3

BA In Applied Policing 2014 to Date				
Year	First Class (1.1) Level 7 Degree	Second Class Grade 1 (2.1) Level 7 Degree	Second Class Grade 2 (2.2) Level 7 Degree	Total
2016	93	92	2	187
2017	148	170	5	323
2018	206	355	10	571

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-000302- 2019**.

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

Account Number: 10026896

Sort Code: 900017

IBAN: IE86BOFI90001710026896

BIC: BOFIE2D

You must ensure your FOI reference number FOI-000302-2019 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 me by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,

 **ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**
MARIA BRODIGAN
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICE

19th **AUGUST, 2019**