An Garda Síochána

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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000416-2018 Request Refused

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 10th October, 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:

- a) The number of drivers holding an SPSV Driver Licence with no penalty points on their licence
- b) The number of drivers holding an SPSV Driver Licence with 12 points or more on their licence who are currently disqualified
- c) The number of drivers holding an SPSV Driver Licence who have previously been disqualified from driving
- d) A discrete breakdown of the genders, locations and offences committed by those in part b) and c)
- e) The number of drivers holding an SPSV Driver Licence with 12 points or more on their licence who are still entitled to drive
- f) Any known grounds for retaining their entitlement regarding I wish to inform you that I have decided

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision to <u>refuse</u> your request on 11th October, 2018.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

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I am therefore refusing your request as it is falls outside the scope of the FOI Act insofar as it pertains to An Garda Síochána.

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-000416-2018.

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: BOFIIE2D

You must ensure that your FOI reference number FOI-000416-2018 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

11 October, 2018.