

# An Garda Síochána

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## Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000064-2016 Refused - Out of Scope

Dear

I refer to the Freedom of Information Act 2014 (FOI Act) and your submission to this body received on the 16<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

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 is shown below:

*"All correspondences/letters/emails etc between the Commissioner/Commissioners Office and the GRA since September 1st 2015 to February 16th 2016."*

I wish to inform you that your request has been **refused**.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

### 1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision to deny access

I am satisfied that all correspondence in the office of the Garda Commissioner is held electronically. A search was conducted across the electronic correspondence recorded in the Commissioner's Office to identify records which had key words in the title such as "Garda Representative Association" and "GRA". One (1) record was located. The record has been examined and I have deemed it out of the scope of the FOI Act insofar as it refers to An Garda Síochána. It is not an administrative record relating to finance, human resources or procurement. The record located is shown on Schedule A (attached).

## 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 **F01-000064-2016**.

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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:** IE86B0F190001710026896  
**BIC:** BOFIE2D

**Your must ensure that your FOI reference number 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](http://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**  
**HELEN DEELY**  
**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER.**

**14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2016**

