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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000139-2016 Request Refusal – Out of Scope

Dear

I refer to the Freedom of Information Act 2014 and to your submissions to this body, dated and received on 13th April 2016.

Part 1(n) of Schedule 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014 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:

- The number of firearm certificate applications in 2010.
- The number of firearm certificates granted in 2010.
- The number of firearm certificate applications in 2015.
- The number of firearm certificates granted in 2015.
- A breakdown of the type of firearms being applied for in 2010 certification applications.
- A breakdown of the type of firearms being applied for in 2015 certificate applications.
- The number of firearm certificates applications in the first three months of 2016.

I wish to inform you that your request is outside the scope of the Freedom of Information Act 2014 insofar as it pertains to An Garda Síochána as the records sought are not *"administrative records relating to human resources, or finance or procurement matters"*.

However, I advise that summary information on firearm licensing is available in An Garda Síochána Annual Reports which are available in the Publications section on the Garda Website (www.garda.ie). The 2015 Annual Report will be added to the site shortly.

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-000139-2016**.

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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
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You 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.

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

 **April 2016**