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Dear Mr Thomas,

You asked for the following information:

'...Please could you tell me how much public money is being spent on consultants employed on the Sirene UK programme for 2007-8, 2008-9 (year to date)...'

The NPIA has spent the following on external consultants for SIRENE:

FY 2007/8 - £446k (from August 2007, i.e. date of transfer from Home Office to NPIA)

FY 2008/9 to date - £708k (to end of December 2008)

### **Your right to complain**

We take our responsibilities under the Freedom of Information Act seriously but, if you feel your request has not been properly handled or you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you have the right to complain. We will investigate the matter and endeavour to reply within 3 – 6 weeks. You should write to:

Gavin McKinnon  
Head of Secretariat  
National Policing Improvement Agency  
10-18 Victoria Street  
London  
SW1H 0NN

E-mail: [gavin.mckinnon@npia.pnn.police.uk](mailto:gavin.mckinnon@npia.pnn.police.uk)

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4th Floor,  
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If you are still dissatisfied following our internal review, you have the right, under section 50 of the Act, to complain directly to the Information Commissioner. Before considering your complaint, the Information Commissioner would normally expect you to have exhausted the complaints procedures provided by the NPIA. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

FOI Compliance Team (complaints)  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Further information about the NPIA is routinely published on our website at [www.npia.police.uk](http://www.npia.police.uk) or through our publication scheme. If you require any further assistance in connection with this request please contact us at our address above.

Yours sincerely,

**Selvin Baker**  
Deputy Programme Director  
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**National Police Improvement Agency**