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Dear Mr Reynolds,

Request for an Internal review of a decision under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Thank you for your e-mail of 27th January 2013 seeking an internal review of the IPCC's decision of 15th January 2013.

Your request of 24th December 2012 was as follows:

Could I have the current list of IPCC Investigators, case workers and Supervisors and if they are ex Police Officers

On 15th January 2013 I supplied you with a list containing the names and job titles of the relevant staff members in our Casework & Customer Services and Investigations Directorates. This list complies with the first part of your request, save that one name has been withheld in reference to section 38(1)(b) of the FOIA because I consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure. I note that you do not appear to be making any complaint about the refusal of this name.

As to the second part of your request, I have confirmed whether or not Directors, Senior Investigators and Heads of Casework are former police officers but have otherwise refused to provide the information, citing the personal information exemption under section 40(2) of the FOIA.

In your e-mail of 27th January 2012, you state: 'a number on those exempt would be sufficient, so a percentage could be worked out'. I take this to mean that in seeking an internal review you are not insisting upon confirmation of whether each person on the list is a former police officer, provided that you are supplied with the numbers of former police officers in respect of each job title.

It would appear to me, therefore, that the provision of this additional information may negate the need for an internal review of my handling of your request.

The following table was published in the IPCC's annual report for 2011/12 and confirms the career background of our staff on 31st March 2012:

Job Title	Count	Ex-police officer	Ex-police civilian
Investigator	79	*19	9
Deputy Senior Investigator	20	**8	1
Senior Investigator	9	***8	1
Casework	116	1	6
Other	147	6	-19
Total staff	371	42	36

*One Investigator has previously worked as both a police officer and police civilian

***One Senior Investigator has previously worked as both a police officer and police civilian

I hope that this meets with your requirements. If it does not, or if I have misunderstood your e-mail of 27th January, please let me know and I will pass the matter to Amanda Kelly so that she can carry out a formal review. Please note, however, that if you decide that you would like to see information that you have not already requested your correspondence may have to be treated as new request.

Yours sincerely

Colin Woodward

Head of Human Resources

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^{**}One Deputy Senior Investigator has previously worked as both a police officer and police civilian