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Dear		

Re: Freedom of Information Act application

In reference to your application made pursuant to the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 1991, access was sought to:

"I am seeking information regarding the training of sworn police officers in South Australia.

- 1) How many Police have received introductory cybercrime investigations training since 2000?
- 2) How many Police have received advanced cybercrime investigations training since 2000?
- 3) How many Police currently have a full-time role in investigating cybercrime?
- 4) How many sworn Police officers are currently employed by the SA Police?"

I refer to your email of 20 August 2020 to Sergeant Sandra Watson in which you refined the scope of your request to seeking access to:

- "I am seeking information regarding the training of sworn police officers in South Australia.
- 1) How many Police have received introductory <u>financial cybercrime</u> investigations training since 2000?
- 2) How many Police have received advanced <u>financial cybercrime</u> investigations training since 2000?
- 3) How many Police currently have a full-time role in investigating financial cybercrime?
- 4) How many sworn Police officers are currently employed by the SA Police?"

In relation to the following parts of your request:

- "...1) How many Police have received introductory <u>financial cybercrime</u> investigations training since 2000?
- 2) How many Police have received advanced <u>financial cybercrime</u> investigations training since 2000?"



South Australia Police (SAPOL) does not record training with the terminology 'introductory' or 'advanced'.

It is determined that 4039 police officers have received cybercrime training and this figure is based on current police officers employed by SAPOL.

It is important to note that cybercrime training is incorporated in several different courses presented by SAPOL and as such some police officers may be represented on more than one occasion in the figure provided.

Cybercrime is evolving and SAPOL is constantly updating training provided to police officers to meet the modern demands of policing the cyber environment. SAPOL deliver the cybercrime training and some specialist areas receive additional cybercrime training from external providers. There is no corporate requirement to maintain records of participation in external training.

In relation to the following part of your request:

"...3) How many Police currently have a full-time role in investigating financial cybercrime?..."

It is determined that 5 (five) police officers are attached to the Cybercrime Investigation Section on a full time basis and this figure was correct as at 19 August 2020. It should be noted that every general duties police officer and Detective attached to Criminal Investigation Branches State wide are involved in the investigation of cybercrime.

In relation to the following part of your request:

"...4) How many sworn Police officers are currently employed by the SA Police?"

It is determined that 4809 police officers are employed by SAPOL. This figure was correct as at 30 June 2020.

This determination was made on 27 August 2020.

In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, details of your FOI application, and the documents to which you are given access, will be published on the SAPOL website Disclosure Log. A copy of PC045 can be found at http://dpc.sa.gov.au/what-we-do/services-forgovernment/premier-and-cabinet-circulars. If you disagree with publication, please advise the undersigned in writing by 28 September 2020.

Your rights to review

If you are dissatisfied with the determination for access to SAPOL records, you are entitled to exercise your right of internal review in accordance with section 29(1) of the FOI Act by completing a PD362 Application for Internal Review form which can be downloaded from https://www.police.sa.gov.au/services-and-events/freedom-of-information or available upon request at your nearest police station. Alternatively an application may be made in writing to the SAPOL Freedom of Information Unit.

This application must be lodged within 30 days from the date of this determination with a fee of \$36.75. Such a fee may be waived in the event of an exemption being claimed.

Yours sincerely,

Senior Sergeant First Class Tracy Gentgall
Officer in Charge
Freedom of Information Unit
(Accredited Freedom of Information Officer)

4 September 2020