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LETTER SENT BY E-MAIL ONLY

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Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

Request

Please find below our response to your correspondence dated 31 January, in which you made the following request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:

My request relates to the level of vetting of employees within the Scottish Police Authority.

I. How many employees hold Recruitment Vetting (RV) clearance? II. How many employees hold Management Vetting (MV) clearance? III. How many employees hold BPSS (Baseline Personnel Standard) clearance?

IV. How many employees hold CTC (Counter Terrorist Check) clearance?V. How many employees hold SC (Security Check) clearance?VI. How many employees hold SCe (Security Check Enhanced) clearance?

VII. How many employees hold DV (Developed Vetting) clearance? VIII. How many employees hold DVe (Developed Vetting Enhanced) clearance?

Response

Your request for information has been considered and the Scottish Police Authority is able to provide the following.

The number of employees holding each level of vetting, as at 6 February 2023, is provided in the table below. The figures provided refer to

employees working within the Authority's Corporate team and Forensic Services.

Vetting Level	Number of employees
Recruitment Vetting	635
Management Vetting	80
Baseline Personnel Standard	Not applicable
Counter Terrorist Check	0
Security Check	8
Security Check Enhanced	0
Developed Vetting	1
Developed Vetting Enhanced	0

As the vetting function is carried out by Police Scotland, the Authority does not hold this information for employees under the direction of the Chief Constable, i.e. police staff and officers. Therefore, this represents a notice in terms of Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 - Information not held.

Information may be available by contacting Police Scotland. Information on how to make a request to Police Scotland is available at – <u>http://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/freedom-of-</u> <u>information/</u>

Right to Review

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been dealt with you are entitled, in the first instance, to request a review of our actions and decisions

Your request must specify the matter which gives rise to your dissatisfaction and it must be submitted within 40 working days of receiving this response - either by email to <u>foi@spa.police.uk</u> or by post to Corporate Management Team, Scottish Police Authority, 1 Pacific Quay, Glasgow, G51 1DZ.

If you remain dissatisfied following the outcome of that review, you are thereafter entitled to apply to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months for a decision.

You can apply <u>online</u>, by email to <u>enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info</u> or by post to Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Scottish Information Commissioner's decision, there is an appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only. As part of our commitment to demonstrate openness and transparency in respect of the information we hold, an anonymised version of this response will be posted to the Scottish Police Authority Freedom of Information <u>Disclosure Log</u> in seven days' time.