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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2009-03516

Keyword: Organisational Information/Governance

Subject: INFORMATION ON PSNI WATER CANNONS

Request and Answer:

This is to inform you that the Police Service of Northern Ireland has now completed its search for the information you requested and the answer to your questions are as follows:

Question 1

Numbers of vehicles in use.

Answer

There are 6 water cannons in use in PSNI.

Question 2

Vehicle registration numbers.

Answer

TCZ2081

TCZ2082

WCZ 3030

WCZ3031

XCZ4924

XCZ4925

Question 3

Model/type of vehicle and body builder used.

Answer

The vehicle is made from no particular model/type of lorry base as the water cannon is purpose built from the ground up. The coachworks were completed by Somati (a Belgian company), the frame was constructed by Ginaf and the lorry parts are DAF. The rest of the systems came from other companies in Holland and England.

Question 4

Any photographs available.

Answer

Please see photographs attached below.

Please also see links to other photos:-

http://www.photographersdirect.com/buyers/stockphoto.asp?imageid=506517 http://www.photographersdirect.com/buyers/stockphoto.asp?imageid=333960

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