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To ask the Minister of Justice to detail (i) the total number of visits by dignitaries where security was provided by the PSNI in each of the last five years; (ii) who the visiting dignitaries were; (iii) when the visits took place; (iv) the duration of each visit; (iv) and the cost of providing this security.

The above mentioned question was placed before the Minister of Justice, who has deemed that this is an operational matter for the Police Service of Northern Ireland. Therefore the Chief Constable has been asked to respond directly.

The Police Service of Northern Ireland does not retain the information you seek in a readily accessible format. Given the large numbers of visits by dignitaries, to provide a response would require an extensive manual trawl of records at disproportionate cost. We therefore will be unable to provide the information as requested.

If you have any queries regarding this response, please address your correspondence to Command Secretariat, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, Northern Ireland BT5 6LE.

I trust this is of assistance.

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