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*Dear Mr Maskey,*

**To ask the Minister of Justice how many members of the RUC and subsequently the PSNI have been removed from their jobs because of siblings' connections to other organisations or parties, in the last twenty years.**

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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.

I am advised that no serving member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary, or the Police Service of Northern Ireland, has been removed from their position within either service as a result of their siblings' connections to other organisations or parties.

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.

*Yours sincerely,*  
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