

POLICE (NORTHERN IRELAND) ACT 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTES

POLICE FUNCTIONS AND SERVICE

Section 22: Provision of information to Board

63. This section inserts a new section 33A into the 2000 Act. The new section places a general obligation on the Chief Constable to supply the Board with whatever information and documents it may require in order to carry out its functions.
64. New section 33A(2), however, exempts the Chief Constable from supplying any information if, in his opinion, its disclosure would be likely to put an individual in danger, or if he considers that it ought not to be disclosed on any of the grounds mentioned in the new section 76A(1) of the 2000 Act (see notes on section 29 below).
65. New section 33A(4) provides that, where the Chief Constable supplies information of a sensitive nature (as defined by the new section 33A(3)), to the Board, he must inform the Secretary of State that the information has been supplied, and notify both the Secretary of State and the Board of its sensitive nature.