



Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2000

2000 CHAPTER 32

PART VIII

THE POLICE OMBUDSMAN

66 Access by Ombudsman to information and documents.

[^{F1}(1)] The Chief Constable and the Board shall supply the Ombudsman with such information and documents as the Ombudsman may require for the purposes of, or in connection with, the exercise of any of his functions.

[^{F2}(2) Subsection (3) applies if—

- (a) the Chief Constable or the Board supplies information to the Ombudsman under subsection (1) for the purposes of or in connection with an investigation under section 60A of the 1998 Act; and
- (b) the person supplying the information is of the opinion that it is information which ought not to be disclosed on the ground mentioned in section 76A(1)(a).

(3) The person supplying the information must—

- (a) inform the Secretary of State that the information has been supplied to the Ombudsman; and
- (b) inform the Secretary of State and the Ombudsman that, in his or its opinion, the information is information which ought not to be disclosed on the ground mentioned in section 76A(1)(a).

(4) Subsection (5) applies if—

- (a) the Chief Constable or the Board supplies information to the Ombudsman under subsection (1) for the purposes of or in connection with an investigation under section 60A of the 1998 Act; and
- (b) the person supplying the information is of the opinion that it is—
 - (i) information the disclosure of which would be likely to put an individual in danger, or
 - (ii) information which ought not to be disclosed on any of the grounds mentioned in section 76A(1)(b) or (c).

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- (5) The person supplying the information must—
- (a) inform the Minister of Justice that the information has been supplied to the Ombudsman; and
 - (b) inform the Minister of Justice and the Ombudsman that, in his or its opinion, the information is information of a kind mentioned in sub-paragraph (i) or (ii) of paragraph (b) of subsection (4).]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Word in s. 66(1) inserted (8.4.2003) by [Police \(Northern Ireland\) Act 2003 \(c. 6\), s. 13\(4\)](#)
- F2** S. 66(2)-(5) substituted for s. 66(2)-(4) (12.4.2010) by [The Northern Ireland Act 1998 \(Devolution of Policing and Justice Functions\) Order 2010 \(S.I. 2010/976\), art. 1\(2\), Sch. 3 para. 77\(2\)](#) (with arts. 28-31)

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