



Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005

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THE SERIOUS ORGANISED CRIME AGENCY

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SOCA: ESTABLISHMENT AND ACTIVITIES

Annual plans and reports

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- (1) Before the beginning of each financial year SOCA must issue a plan setting out how SOCA intends to exercise its functions during that year (“the annual plan”).
- (2) The annual plan must (in particular) set out how SOCA intends to exercise its functions in Scotland and in Northern Ireland.
- (3) The annual plan must also include a statement of—
 - (a) any priorities which SOCA has determined for that year,
 - (b) any current strategic priorities determined by the Secretary of State under section 9,
 - (c) any current performance targets established by SOCA, and
 - (d) the financial resources that are expected to be available to SOCA for that year.
- (4) Any priorities within subsection (3)(a) may relate—
 - (a) to matters to which strategic priorities determined under section 9 also relate, or
 - (b) to other matters,

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but in any event must be so framed as to be consistent with strategic priorities determined under that section.

- (5) The annual plan must state, in relation to each priority within subsection (3)(a) or (b), how SOCA intends to give effect to that priority.
- (6) SOCA must arrange for the annual plan to be published in such manner as it considers appropriate.
- (7) SOCA must send a copy of the annual plan to—
 - (a) the Secretary of State,
 - (b) the Scottish Ministers,
 - (c) the Commissioners,
 - (d) each police authority for an area in Great Britain, each joint police board and the Northern Ireland Policing Board,
 - (e) the chief officer of each police force in the United Kingdom, and
 - (f) such other persons as SOCA considers appropriate.
- (8) In subsection (7)(d) the reference to a police authority for an area in Great Britain does not include a constituent authority in an amalgamation scheme approved under section 19(1) of the Police (Scotland) Act 1967 (c. 77).
- (9) Before issuing its annual plan for any financial year, SOCA must—
 - (a) consult the Scottish Ministers and agree with them what provision the plan is to make for Scotland by virtue of subsection (2); and
 - (b) consult such other persons as it considers appropriate.