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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## On Thursday August 1, Kilmarnock played a Europa League game in Belgium against Cercle Bruges.

## It is common for police officers from the UK to visit the town or city where European matches will take place a week or more in advance so they can meet with their counterparts and discuss safety issues relating to travelling supporters.

## So my questions are about that visit for this fixture - not about travelling officers for the match itself.

## 1, How many Police Scotland officers travelled to Belgium for this purpose?

## 2. How many days did they stay for?

## 3. What were their expenses and how much did they cost? (I am not asking for an itemised breakdown, just general categories such as travel, accommodation and sustenance costs).

I can advise you that Police Scotland does not hold the requested information. In terms of Section 17 of the Act, this letter represents a formal notice that information is not held.

By way of explanation, no Police Officers were sent to Belgium in the weeks prior to the game on the 1st of August – thus no cost incurred.

If you require any further assistance, please contact us quoting the reference above.

You can request a review of this response within the next 40 working days by [email](mailto:foi@scotland.police.uk) or by letter (Information Management - FOI, Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH). Requests must include the reason for your dissatisfaction.

If you remain dissatisfied following our review response, you can appeal to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner (OSIC) within 6 months - [online](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal), by [email](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info) or by letter (OSIC, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, KY16 9DS).

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