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Garda Síochána Ombudsman Commission

Press Release

GSOC launch investigation in relation to road traffic accident earlier today

An incident which resulted in a road traffic fatality this morning has been referred by the Garda Commissioner to the Garda Síochána Ombudsman Commission under Section 102 of the Garda Síochána Act 2005.

The fatality involved a car which had crossed the border into Northern Ireland from Co. Donegal in an apparent attempt to evade the Garda Síochána who were seeking to speak with the driver in relation to his driving behaviour.

The Garda Síochána Ombudsman Commission has commenced an investigation using the powers conferred on it by Section 98 of the Act. Designated officers of GSOC are in Co. Donegal.

The PSNI are investigating the fatality which occurred in their jurisdiction.

The Garda Síochána have apprehended a man in connection with the incident.

For further information: GSOC Communications Unit on 01 8716 722/ 720.