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*Paul R. Kernaghan CBE QPM*

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Ms / Mr : Mr.  
Last name : Kernaghan  
First name : Paul R.  
Title :  
Rank : Chief Constable  
Name organisation : Hampshire Constabulary  
Place : Hampshire  
Country : UK

**Short description of his career and the interest in police work:**

*On graduating in 1978 he joined the Royal Ulster Constabulary and served throughout Northern Ireland (Belfast Londonderry, Strabane, RUC Headquarters and Warrenpoint). He held a series of operational and staff appointments. In 1991 he transferred to the West Midlands Police on promotion to the rank of Superintendent. He subsequently specialised in criminal investigation and performed duty as a Senior Investigating Officer in murder cases. In 1994 he attended the Senior Command Course and was appointed as Assistant Chief Constable (Operations), North Yorkshire Police in February 1995.*

*In April 1996 he was designated as the Chief Constable's deputy. He attended the Royal College of Defence Studies Course in 1997.*

*Mr. Paul Kernaghan became the Chief Constable of Hampshire Constabulary on 21<sup>st</sup> September 1999.*

**Short description of his activities and/or publications:**

*Mr Kernaghan holds the ACPO International Affairs portfolio and leads on UK integration with the Schengen Information System.*

*In May 2003 he undertook a pathfinder mission to Iraq on behalf of the Home and Foreign Secretaries, visiting 1 [UK] Armoured Division in Basra and ORHA in Baghdad. His report provided the basis for UK police support to Op Telic/ Op Iraqi Freedom.*

*He subsequently visited Iraq in November 2003, May 2004, May 2005 and October 2006 to assess progress.*

*He was awarded the Queen's Police Medal for distinguished service in the 1998 Birthday Honours List. In June 2005 he was appointed as CBE for services to the police.*

**Educational background:**

*Mr. Kernaghan is 51 and was educated at Methodist College, Belfast. He has an Honours Degree in Law (LL.B(Hons) and a Masters Degree in Public Order (MA). Whilst at Queen's University, Belfast, he served in the Ulster Defence Regiment, being commissioned in 1976.*