
**NORTHUMBRIA POLICE
CHIEF CONSTABLE'S OFFICE**



POLICE AUTHORITY

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Report of the Chief Constable

NON EXEMPT

INTERNATIONAL TANDEM USERS GROUP (ITUG) CONFERENCES

The ITUG is holding its spring conference in Madrid, Spain, between 7 and 9 June 2004, and its autumn conference in San Jose, USA, between 3 and 7 October 2004.

It is considered important that Northumbria Police is represented at these conferences, as there is a need for Information Systems and Telecommunications (IS&T) Department personnel to gain technical expertise in the issues to be discussed. The proposal is to send two members of staff, in order to gain maximum benefit from attending formal sessions, meeting other Tandem users and participating in technical exchange.

The total cost to the Authority for two members of staff to attend the spring conference will be approximately £2,320, and the costs for the autumn conference are not yet known.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that members give their approval for two members of staff from the IS&T Department to attend both the spring and autumn ITUG conferences.