

24. Information may be referred to police officer for verification or for report

- (1) A judicial officer or authorized officer who is called upon to consider a case for bail may —
 - (a) request that any information placed before the judicial officer or authorized officer by the defendant for the purposes of the case be verified by a police officer, and to that end may refer to a police officer the prescribed form mentioned in section 8(1)(b), after it has been completed or revised;
 - (b) request that a report on any matter mentioned in Part C of Schedule 1, so far as it applies to a defendant whose case is being or to be considered, be made by a police officer.
- (2) Where a reference or request is made under subsection (1) a police officer shall, as soon as is practicable —
 - (a) make a report to the judicial officer or the authorized officer accordingly; and
 - (b) furnish a copy of the report to the defendant or his solicitor or counsel.

[Section 24 inserted by No. 61 of 1990 s.6; amended by No. 45 of 1993 s.12.]