

Our Ref: FOI/REQ/17/054

Mr. Mark Tighe,
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21 April 2017

Dear Mr. Tighe,

I refer to the request you have made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014, for access to records held by this Department, as follows:

- 1. Records of all finance and other state support given to the charity Haven (The Haven Community Foundation) by Irish Aid /DFA to date.**
- 2. All reports/audits and memos relating to reviewing applications for state funds and finance from Haven and any records relating to reviewing and accounting for how money given to Haven has been used.**
- 3. Records showing any Irish Aid or DFA money given to the Digicel Foundation in Haiti.**

I have identified 133 records that fall within the scope of Parts 1 and 2 of your request, and no record for that of Part 3. I have made a decision to grant full release of 72, partial release of 56, and refuse release of 5 of these records. The grounds for these decisions are noted in the schedule of records enclosed.

In the event that you are not happy with this decision you can make an appeal in relation to this matter, you can do so by writing to the Freedom of Information Unit, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, 76-78 Harcourt Street, Dublin D02 DX45, or by e-mail to foi@dfa.ie. A fee applies for an appeal to access non-personal information; the level of this fee has been set at €30. For methods of payment, please contact the FOI unit at foi@dfa.ie, or (01) 408 2857.

You should make your appeal within 4 weeks (20 working days) from the date of this notification, where a day is defined as a working day excluding, the weekend and public holidays, however, the making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances. The appeal will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of the staff of this Department.

Yours sincerely,

Stiofán Ó Dálaigh,
Desk Officer,
Humanitarian Unit,
Irish Aid.