



An Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha
Department of Foreign Affairs

Our Ref: Fol/Req/21/183

Date 6 September 2021

Dear Margaret Morris

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

“Under the FOI Acts I wish to request any documentation in your possession between yourselves and Katherine Zappone and/or the Merrion Hotel in relation to the much publicised party Ms Zappone hosted on 21 July at the Merrion Hotel Dublin 2. Documentation includes emails and notes of telephone calls.”

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 23 August 2021.

I have identified one record that falls within the scope of your request. The record is listed in the schedule attached. I have made a decision to grant the record.

Right of Appeal

Should you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so in writing to the Freedom of Information Unit, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, 76-78 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2 or by email to foi@dfa.ie. A fee applies for an appeal for access to non-personal information; the level of this fee has been set at €30, (€10 for medical card holders). A copy of the medical card should be provided to avail of the reduced fee. For methods of payment, please contact FOI Unit at foi@dfa.ie, or 01-4082618.

You should make your appeal within 4 weeks (20 working days) from the date of this notification. 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

David Ormond
Freedom of Information Section