

## An Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Our Ref: Fol/Reg/18083

25 April 2018

Dear Requester,

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:

copies of any inspection reports for ambassadorial or consular residences carried out in 2016, 2017, and thus far in 2018.

I have identified no records that fall within the scope of your request and as such I am refusing your request on administrative grounds under section 15 (1)(a)- the record does not exist.

There are no inspection reports for ambassadorial or consular residences carried out in 2016, 2017 and 2018. Typically the head of Mission will carry out regular inspections and complete an annual premises profile to check for damp, leaks, electrical problems etc. which allows the Department's property management unit to plan for likely expenditure.

## 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 <a href="mailto:foi@dfa.ie">foi@dfa.ie</a>. A fee applies for an appeal for access to non-personal information; the level of this fee has been set at €30. For methods of payment, please contact FOI Unit at <a href="mailto:foi@dfa.ie">foi@dfa.ie</a>, or 01-4082857.

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

Kerry O'Sullivan