Our Ref: Fol/Req/18/098

James Ward Political Correspondent Irish Daily Mail

Date 5th June 2018

Dear Mr. Ward,

I refer to the request of 11th April which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 for access to records held by this Department, as follows:

- 1. Correspondence with White House officials relating to a Presidential visit to Ireland for the years 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019.
- 2. Internal records, to include correspondence, meeting minutes, briefing notes, etc. relating to a Presidential visit.

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 26th April.

I am the responding officer for this request. I am releasing to you a copy of a previous FOI request answered in July 2016. Following a search of the Department's files from July 2016 to the present date, I can confirm that no further records have been identified that fall within the scope of your request.

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. For methods of payment, please contact FOI Unit at foi@dfa.ie, 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

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