



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

Our Ref: FoI/Req/18/186

25 July 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:

Ministerial expenses incurred from May 2008 to January 2011

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 5 July 2018.

The Department comprises two separate votes, Vote 28 - Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and Vote 27 - International Co-operation. The table below sets out the amounts of expenses incurred by Ministers and Ministers of State across both Votes.

	May 2008	2009	2010	January 2011	Total
Minister Dermot Ahern 2008	374				374
Minister Micheál Martin 2008-11	3,737	2,601	Nil	2,367	8,705
MoS Dick Roche 2008-11	21,955	23,549	21,552	3,684	70,740
MoS Peter Power 2008-11	19,266	31,670	12,483	2,402	65,821

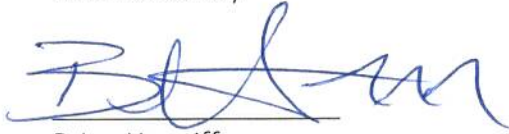
My Department complies with the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform guidelines on official travel. The central aim of the Departmental travel policy is to minimise official travel costs and to achieve value for money for expenditure necessarily incurred, consistent with the effective discharge of official duties.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Brian Hanniffy', written over a horizontal line.

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