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DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH 2
DUBLIN 2

Our Ref: FoI/16/087
Mark O'Regan,
Irish Independent,
Independent House,
27-32 Talbot Street,
Dublin 1

21 July 2016

Dear Mr. O'Regan,

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:

"I wish to request access to the following records: All correspondence in the past twelve months concerning US presidential candidate Donald Trump's proposed visit to Ireland."

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 8 July 2016.

I have identified **13** records that fall within the scope of your request. The records are listed in the schedule attached, in which I have provided a short description of each record. I have made a decision to release **10** of the records and to refuse to release **3** records.

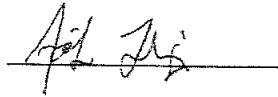
I have decided to refuse to release these 3 records under Section 33.1(d) of the Freedom of Information Act 2014 as, following careful consideration, I have concluded that release of these records could reasonably be expected to affect adversely the international relations of the State. Section 33.1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014 is set out in Annex I for your information.

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@dfat.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@dfat.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 cursive script, appearing to read 'Aoife Fleming', is written over a horizontal line.

Aoife Fleming
Americas Unit