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**Request for access to information under Freedom of Information Acts 1997 and 2003**

In accordance with Section 7 of the above mentioned Act, I wish to request the following records which are held by the Department of Finance:

- 1) In relation to the 12 representations that the Minister for Foreign Affairs Eamon Gilmore made on behalf of others to the Revenue commissioners, as noted in the Revenue Commissioners Annual report 2013, including emails both internal and external, briefing documents, minutes of meetings or any other records in relation to this*

In relation to this it should be noted that similar information is released by the Oireachtas in relation to correspondence upon request. Section 27 and Section 28 exemptions should not apply in my opinion. Section 10 (1) (c) exemptions should not apply. It should also be noted that search and retrieval cost in this matter will be small and that redaction does not fall under search and retrieval. My preferred form of access to this request is electronic.

Please find enclosed €15 in respect of the fee for the request under the Act. I look forward to hearing from you in the time period prescribed.

If you decide to request further payment I would like to be provided with an itemised fees receipt outlining precisely why an additional cost is required.

If this request is found to be too arduous as per my request please contact me to discuss the specific aspect that is posing the problem.

Sincerely

Vincent Ryan

