

An Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála Baile Átha Cliath 2

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Dublin 2

Our Ref: FoI/Req/15/028 Emma Jayne Geraghty

24 March 2015

Dear Ms Geraghty,

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:

'A complete list of meetings held on the issue of TTIP by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade with external stakeholders, as well as full minutes and participant lists of those meetings, from  $1^{st}$  July 2013 until now'.

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 9 March.

You may wish to be aware that while the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade exercises responsibility for trade promotion, it is not the responsible Department for international trade policy. I have identified no records that fall within the scope of your request, therefore I am obliged to refuse your request under Section 15(1) (a) – the record concerned does not exist or cannot be found.

## 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 <u>foi@dfat.ie</u>. 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

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Kate Tyrrell Responding Officer