

Mr Eamonn Patterson

Our Ref: FOI /REQ/16/053

23 May 2016

Dear Mr Patterson,

I refer to your correspondence of 26 April and 27 April 2016 requesting access to records held by this Department under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 as follows:

A copy of the diary of the Irish Ambassador to Spain (excluding any personal and/or sensitive information) for the period of 1 July 2015 to 25 April 2016.

I have identified 1 record that falls within the scope of your request. The record is listed in the schedule attached.

I am the deciding officer in this case. I have decided to grant you access to the Ambassador's diary. From time to time there may have been supplementary activity which arose on an ad hoc basis and which is not listed in the diary.

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.ic. 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

Caitlín Higgins Ní Chinnéide

Embassy of Ireland, Madrid