

Cormac McQuinn
Irish Independent,
Independent House,
27-32 Talbot Street,
Dublin 1.

18th July 2016

Our Ref:FoI/Req/2016/081

Dear Mr. McQuinn,

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 copy of the minister's diary between May 6, 2016 and June 21, 2016.

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 28th June 2016.

I have identified 2 records that fall within the scope of your request. The records are listed in the schedule below.

Record Description		Granted/Part-Granted/Refused
1	A copy of the minister's diary between 6-31 May, 2016.	Granted
1	A copy of the minister's diary 1-21, June 2016.	Granted

I am the deciding officer in this case and I have decided to grant you access to the Minister's diary for the specified period. 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. Please note that the email address attached to the diary has been "blacked out" on each page as I consider this information outside the scope of the request. This email address is only used internally to host the diary and is not managed

nor monitored by staff as it has no function with regard to Ministerial or Departmental correspondence.

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

Trances Kiernan