

An Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála Baile Átha Cliath 2

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Dublin 2

24th April 2015

Mr. Ben Haugh, Irish Mail on Sunday 3rd Floor Embassy House Herbert Park Lane Ballsbridge Dublin 4

Our Ref: FoI/Req/2015/037

Dear Mr. Haugh,

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:

- 1. How much did the department spent on phones, laptops and tablets for employees in 2014 and so far in 2015, broken down by year? Please break the figures down by device type. Please also include the number of each device purchased and detail the models (iPhone 5s etc) in each case.
- 2. How much did the department spend on phone bills for staff in 2014 and so far in 2015? Please break the figures down by month. Please include the top five most expensive monthly bills and to five and top five most expensive annual bills.

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 2 April 2015.

I am the deciding officer for your request. I have decided to grant you access to all information requested which is included in the attached spreadsheets.

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

Nuala Courtney ICT Unit