



An Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

28th September 2017

Ref: FOI/Req/17/172

Dear Requester

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:

- **Copies of all mileage claims made by Minister Coveney in the calendar year 2017.**
- **Any records relating to the provision of a “fresh start” to Minister Coveney for the purposed of calculating his mileage in 2017.**

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 1st September 2017.

I am the deciding officer for your request. I have identified there are no records in this Department that fall within the scope of your request.

Minister Coveney had no mileage claimed up to the date of your request 1st September 2017 in this Department. Please note that when Minister Coveney submits Mileage Claims to the Department the cumulative mileage he has incurred this year will be taken into account i.e. “Fresh Start” does not apply

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@dfa.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@dfa.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

Clare Doyle
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