



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

Our Ref: Fol/Req/ 2017/158

Date 13 September 2017

Dear Mr. Patterson,

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 diary of the Irish Ambassador to Canada for the period of 1 December 2016 to 14 August 2017 inclusive.

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 24 August 2017.

I have identified one record that falls within the scope of your request and it is listed in the schedule below. The Ambassadorial appointments diary is part of a shared electronic diary for all mission staff. Any diary entries which fall outside the scope of your request are not included in the record.

SCHEDULE	
Record Description	Granted/Part-Granted/Refused
1. Appointments diary of Ireland's Ambassador to Canada 1 December 2016 to 14 August 2017 inclusive.	Granted

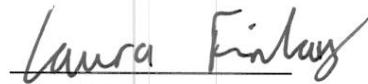
Staff at Ireland's Embassy to Canada perform a wide range of functions in pursuit of Ireland's foreign policy interests. These include representing and advancing government policies; economic, trade and cultural promotion; frontline consular and passport services to Irish citizens and engaging with the Irish community. From time to time there are events and commitments that would have arisen on an ad-hoc basis which may not appear in the Ambassador's 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@dfa.ie.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laura Finlay". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Laura Finlay