



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

Our Ref: FoI/Req/2019/135

Date: 1 May 2019

Dear Ms Hade,

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:

All correspondence sent to Tánaiste Simon Coveney from Katherine Zappone from June 2017 to date. This should also include all correspondence sent to Ms Zappone from the Tánaiste or his officials from June 2017 to date.

I refer to our further correspondence where you say, **'I'm only seeking the correspondence from the Minister herself to the Tánaiste.'** I have included responses to this correspondence from the Tánaiste.

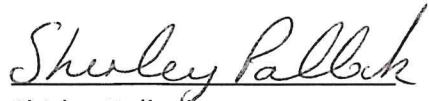
I have identified 12 records that fall within the scope of your request and these are listed in the schedule attached. I have made a decision to grant access to 8 of the records and part-grant access to 4 records. These records are refused under section 37 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act entitled Personal Information. The records contain personal information of a third party.

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shirley Pollock".

Shirley Pollock

Office of the Tánaiste and
Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade