



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

Our Ref: FOI/Req/19/145

Stephen McDermott
The Journal

Dear Mr McDermott,

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:

I am requesting the release of any correspondence sent to the Department or Minister from Irish or Northern Irish politicians and members of the public regarding the detainment of two fishing vessels in Dundalk Bay earlier this year.

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 4 April 2019.

I have identified one record that falls within the scope of your request. The record is listed in the schedule attached. I have made the decision to part-grant this record.

This part-granted record has been edited only insofar as to remove names and identifying details of individuals, where these are not relevant to the request.

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,

Raymond Mullen
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Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade