



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

Our Ref: Fol/Req/19/350

7 January 2020

Dear Mr Horgan-Jones,

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. An itemised list of costs incurred in the repatriation/deportation of Lisa Smith

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 12 December 2019.

I can provide the following information in relation to your request. The information is provided in Turkish Lira, with an estimate given of the approximate corresponding overall euro value based on historical exchange information available at [www.xe.com](http://www.xe.com).

The overall combined costs in Turkish Lira come to 31,842.72 TRY, which has a combined approximate Euro value of €5028.60 based on historical exchange rate information for November 29 (1 TRY = 0.15792 Euro). This includes the costs for the following:

- 4 individuals travelled from Dublin to Istanbul on November 29: one official from the Department of Foreign Affairs and three personnel from the Defence Forces. The cost of these four flight tickets was 6,595.52 TRY.
- Four rooms in an airport hotel were booked for November 29. The cost of these four rooms was 3,486.78 TRY.
- Five rooms in an airport hotel were booked for November 30. The cost of these five rooms was 4,343.28 TRY.
- Two officials from the Department of Foreign Affairs travelled from Ankara to Istanbul on the morning of November 30 and returned to Ankara later on the same day. The cost of these tickets was 1475.96 TRY.
- One official from the Department of Foreign Affairs travelled on a one-way flight within Turkey from Ankara to Istanbul on November 30. The cost of this ticket was 299.99 TRY.
- 7 individuals travelled from Istanbul to Dublin on December 1: the Department of Foreign Affairs official and three Defence Forces personnel who had travelled from

Dublin, one official from the Irish Embassy to Turkey, the Irish citizen and her young child. The cost of these seven flight tickets was 13,957.49 TRY.

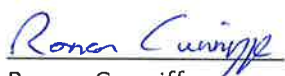
- One official from the Department of Foreign Affairs returned from Dublin to Ankara on December 9. The cost of this ticket was 1,683.70 TRY.

### **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](mailto: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](mailto: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



Ronan Cunniffe  
Consular Directorate