

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

Our Ref: Fol/Req/2018/180

12 July 2018

Dear Mr Bowman,

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:

'Communications between University College Dublin and the Department pertaining to the Confucius Institute from the years 2016, 2017 and 2018.'

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 29 June 2018.

I have identified four records that fall within the scope of your request. As discussed with you by telephone, I excluded low grade training administration records.

The records are listed in the schedule attached. I have made a decision to grant all of the records.

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 \leq 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

Sarah McCabe