



An Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála
Baile Átha Cliath 2

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Dublin 2

4th August 2016

Ken Foxe

Our Ref: FoI/Req/2016/097

Dear Mr Foxe,

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:

- **Copies of all mileage claims (to include the amount paid on dealing with the claim) made by any Minister or Minister of State at your Department relating to travel undertaken in the calendar year 2016 only.**

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 13th July 2016.

I am the deciding officer for your request. I have identified the records that fall within the scope of your request. The records are listed in the schedule attached. I have made a decision to grant all of the records.

Ministerial mileage expenses are paid in accordance with rates and regulations set down by the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform.

Mileage expenses are a monthly total and reflect business related travel across Ireland during the respective month, and incorporate deductions for any personal-related travel.

Below is a summary table of mileage claimed up to the date of your request 7th July 2016.

Mileage paid to Minister and Ministers of State up to 6 July 2016			
Name	Period	Mileage	Amount.
Minister Charles Flanagan T.D.	January '16	5086	€3,004.30
	February '16	2449	€1,110.53
	March '16	4363	€1,241.71
	April '16	4448	€1,265.90
	May '16	6499	€1,849.62

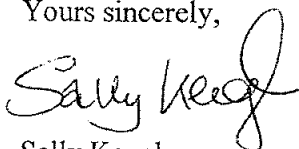
MoS Dara Murphy T.D.	January '16	5430	€3,849.33
	February '16	2780	€1,319.34
	March'16	6460	€2,206.09
	April '16	6930	€2,366.60
	May '16	4064	€950.57
	June'16	7578	€1,772.49
MoS Jimmy Deenihan T.D.	January '16	4479	€3,175.16
	February '16	646	€457.95
	March'16	3945	€1,829.25
	April '16	5542	€1,892.59
MoS Sean Sherlock T.D.	January '16	4793	€2,831.23
	February '16	2238	€1,140.16
	March'16	4772	€1,358.11
	April '16	5310	€1,511.23
	May '16	1002	€285.17
MoS Joe Mc Hugh T.D.		Nil	Nil

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,



Sally Keogh,
Finance Division