



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

Our Ref: FoI/ Req/14/111

Mr. Ruadhán MacCormaic
The Irish Times,
Tara Street,
Dublin 2.

19 December 2014

Dear Mr. MacCormaic,

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:

‘A copy of the Focussed Policy Assessment (FPA) of Irish Aid’s emergency response to the 2010 earthquake in Haiti.’

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 10 December 2014.

I have identified no records that fall within the scope of your request. In relation to the records being refused, they are exempt from release under Section 15.1(a) of the Act- *(a) the record concerned does not exist or cannot be found after all reasonable steps*

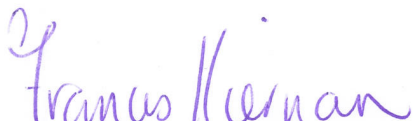
However, the expectation is that such a Focused Policy Assessment will be drafted and, on completion, published on the Department’s website in the first quarter 2015.

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


Frances Kiernan
FOI Officer