

Department of the Taoiseach

List of non-personal Freedom of Information requested granted

Quarter 2 2017

Ref No	Description	Date Completed	Status
FOI/2016/2624	1. Copies of all emails sent by the Taoiseach's email address ekenny245@gmail.com to the following during the period 1st January 2012 and 1st September 2016. 2. Copies of all emails received by the Taoiseach's email address ekenny245@gmail.com from the following recipients during the period between 1st January 2012 and 1st September 2016. Mark Kennelly; Andrew McDowell; Paul O'Brien; Sarah Moran; Phil Hogan; Alan Shatter; Heather Humphreys; Frances Fitzgerald; James Reilly; Leo Varadkar; Michael Noonan; Paul Kehoe; Simon Harris; Marion Mannion; Mary Kenny.	12/02/2017	Part granted
FOI/2016/2648	From a search of the Department of the Taoiseach's servers, over the period from March 1, 2011, to date, I would like copies of any emails sent to the following email address ekenny245@gmail.com.	16/02/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0006	A copy of the Government's communications strategy on Brexit.	28/03/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0012	1. The appointments diary for An Taoiseach for 2016. 2. The correspondence log for An Taoiseach for 2016.	09/02/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0027	Copies of all correspondence between your Department and former Taoiseach Brian Cowen with regard to sitting for official portrait. Copies of all other records relating to the commissioning of an official portrait of Mr Cowen.	03/03/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0032	Copies of pages from the Department of the Taoiseach's visitors' book for foreign dignitaries between February 25, 2011 and January 31, 2017. The copies can be limited to pages that have entries during the years in question.	08/03/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0038	All correspondence to and from the Taoiseach / Taoiseach's staff and any other individual in relation to any potential visit to Ireland by the US President Donald Trump. The timespan for this material is from January 2016 to date. This should include but not be limited to copies of all representations/submissions/correspondence received by the Taoiseach, or the Taoiseach's representatives, in relation to this topic, and all representations/submissions/correspondence sent by the Taoiseach, or the Taoiseach's representatives. This should include but not be limited to copies of: memos, letters, text messages, phone calls, emails, or any other form of communication.	11/04/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0042	Materials relating to the allegations of torture and waterboarding (though this phrase may not have been used) by the paratroop regiment of the British army in Belfast in 1972. I would be happy to confine the request to the years 2016 and 2017.	13/04/2017	Granted

FOI/2017/0043	Any internal reports and recommendations produced by the Department, as well as documents in relation to discussions, meetings, letters as well as emails between Secretary General's Office and Minister's Office as well as to and from Ministerial Advisors, and briefing notes produced by the Department, either for internal use or for distribution to another government department, from May 2016 to date, in relation to the potential effects of the UK leaving the European Union.	25/05/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0048	All email, letter/any other correspondence between the Taoiseach Enda Kenny, and Micheal Martin TD, between January - June 2014.	31/03/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0056	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Records and copies of all the letters or emails sent to the Taoiseach for and against abortion. 2. Records of any of the Taoiseach's responses to such letters regarding the appeal of the 8th amendment. 	27/03/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0058	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All letters received to the Department of An Taoiseach between the 13th and 20th February 2017 condemning/approving the Government's behaviour, in particular Mr. Enda Kenny's, Ms. Frances Fitzgerald's and Ms. Katherine Zappone's regarding false accusations made against Sgt. Maurice McCabe. 2. All letters received to the Department of An Taoiseach between the 13th and 20th February regarding the pressure for Mr. Enda Kenny to step down as Fine Gael leader and his reluctance to announce a date for when he will step down. 3. All letters received to the Department of An Taoiseach between the 13th and 20th February regarding the Dáil confidence debate, letters of both complaint and approval. 	31/03/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0063	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A breakdown of the gifts given by or on behalf of Taoiseach Enda Kenny to Heads of State and foreign dignitaries in 2015 and 2016, including a description of each gift, the cost of each gift and who each gift was for. 2. A breakdown of the gifts received by Taoiseach Enda Kenny in 2015 and 2016, including a description of the gift and who it was from. 	29/03/2017	Granted

FOI/2017/0064	<p>Copies of correspondence to/from An Taoiseach Enda Kenny and the following politicians: Micheál Martin TD Minister Shane Ross Minister Denis Naughten Minister Katherine Zappone Minister of State John Halligan Minister of State Seán Canney Minister of State Finian McGrath Kevin 'Boxer' Moran TD Dr Michael Harty TD Michael Lowry TD</p> <p>The timeframe for the correspondence can be limited to the period May 6, 2016 to February 28, 2017. I am also seeking copies of any documents attached to correspondence to/from the politicians listed.</p>	14/04/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0068	<p>All records of correspondence between Taoiseach Enda Kenny and British Prime Minister Teresa May between the dates January 1st, 2017 to March 1st, 2017. These records should include all written, email, phone records and any other form of correspondence between both parties. I am seeking all records both to Ms May from the Taoiseach and from Ms May to the Taoiseach on these dates.</p>	09/05/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0069	<p>All email correspondence/any other, between The Ballymore Group (including Sean Mulryan) and the Department of An Taoiseach, between January 2014 - March 2017.</p>	03/04/2017	Granted
FOI/2017/0070	<p>This request relates to the following entry in the Lobbying Register https://www.lobbying.ie/return/5095/american-chamber-of-commerce-ireland We wish to receive copies of: 1. The emails referred to in the entry; and 2. Minutes of the meetings referred to.</p>	22/03/2017	Granted
FOI/2017/0077	<p>All correspondence between the Department of the Taoiseach, the Taoiseach, the Taoiseach's Office, the Taoiseach's officials and advisors; and Apple companies – its representatives, advisors or lobbyists working on its behalf, and Tim Cook since the start of 2017. All documents, correspondence, emails, briefing notes, details of telephone calls, and any other relevant information held by your Department related to its interaction with Apple/Apple Sales International since the start of 2017.</p>	06/04/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0079	<p>Details of all correspondence between Taoiseach Enda Kenny and leader of Fianna Fail Micheal Martin from January 1 2016 to the present date. I wish to include emails, text messages and records of meetings between Mr Kenny and Mr Martin.</p>	13/04/2017	Part granted

FOI/2017/0081	A copy of all prior correspondence received from Mr Melia by the Department or the Taoiseach relating to issues he raised regarding NUI Galway. This should include copies of any reports furnished by Mr Melia. This may include but not be limited to correspondence received on November 22, 2012; December 10, 2012 or June 28, 2013. A copy of the correspondence referred to above (Dec 3, 2014 and May 25, 2015) and all subsequent correspondence received from Mr Melia by the Department or the Taoiseach relating to issues he raised regarding NUI Galway. This should include copies of any reports furnished by Mr Melia. A copy of all correspondence which arose as a result of any contact made by Mr Melia to the Department or the Taoiseach. This should include any correspondence with the Department of Education.	13/04/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0082	The release of details pertaining to the Taoiseach's travel costs to the White House for St. Patrick's Day, in particular: The cost of the Taoiseach's flights to and from the US (with an each-way breakdown if possible). The cost of the Taoiseach's accommodation during his stay in the US. The cost of the bowl of shamrock that the Taoiseach will present to the US President at the White House, with details of where it was purchased if possible.	18/04/2017	Granted
FOI/2017/0083	Copies of all records held by your Department relating to the creation and provision of a new Chief Whip allowance for payment to Regina Doherty.	21/04/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0084	Details pertaining to Regina Doherty's travel costs to the United Arab Emirates for St. Patrick's Day, in particular: The cost of the Chief Whip's flights to, from, and within the United Arab Emirates. The cost of the Chief Whip's accommodation during her stay in the United Arab Emirates. Any other costs for the Chief Whip's trip, including travel within the United Arab Emirates and the presentation of a bowl of shamrock, if possible.	13/04/2017	Granted
FOI/2017/0085	Copies of the agendas for Cabinet meetings in the period 1 January 2011 to 21 March 2011.	06/04/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0086	Records of all expenses incurred by the Taoiseach Enda Kenny and the Government Chief Whip Regina Doherty on their St Patrick's trips.	19/04/2017	Granted
FOI/2017/0087	All correspondence between Taoiseach Enda Kenny and Sinn Fein President Gerry Adams. The timeframe for this request is: 01/12/16-today's date.		Part granted

FOI/2017/0095	<p>All records relating to the drafting of the speech given by Taoiseach Enda Kenny to the Dáil on 13 February 2013 (i.e. the Magdalene apology). The request is for records to include – but not limited to:</p> <p>Internal and external correspondence</p> <p>Minutes of meetings</p> <p>Notes or memos in relation to discussions or telephone calls.</p> <p>The request covers the period 1 December 2012 to 19 February 2013.</p>	21/04/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0096	<p>A datadump of all departmental spending in the following categories for the calendar year 2016: Home – Subsistence, Home – Hotel Costs, Home – Air Tickets, Home – Taxi, Home – Mileage, Home – Car Hire, Foreign – Subsistence, Foreign – Hotel Costs, Foreign – Air Tickets, Foreign – Taxi, Foreign – Mileage, Foreign – Car Hire, Foreign – Telephone & Fax Calls, Foreign – Other Receipted Expenses, Foreign Travel – Carbon Emissions, Catering for Official Functions, Equipment Hire Official Entertainment, Dining in Restaurant, Flowers Official Entertainment, Other Official Entertainment, Catering for State Entertainment Functions, Equipment Hire State Entertainment, Flowers State Entertainment, Other State Entertainment, Catering State Functions, Other State Functions, Gifts for Protocol Stock, Protocol Stationery, Training Courses for Staff, Conferences and Seminars, Speaking Fees, Masters Programme, Online Training Resources, Photography, Public Relations, Ministerial Allowance, Couriers, Flowers, Refreshments, Ex-Gratia Payment, Suit Hire, Suit Allowance, Pest Control, Consultancy, Consultancy Expenses.</p>	25/05/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0097	<p>All records and minutes of meetings between An Taoiseach Enda Kenny and his officials and representatives Coca-Cola during 2016 and 2017. All records related to any subsequent calls or other forms of correspondence between Coca-Cola and the Taoiseach or his officials.</p>	28/04/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0098	<p>1. Briefing notes, memos, emails and correspondence sent or prepared for the Taoiseach Enda Kenny, or representatives from his Department in relation to and preparation for the meeting with Dr Flemming Ornskov of Shire Pharmaceuticals Ireland on 19th January 2017 at the World Economic Forum in Davos. 2. The follow up letter from Shire Pharmaceuticals Ireland from the meeting held in Davos on 19/1/17 thanking the Taoiseach for meeting and to facilitate a meeting with Health Minister Simon Harris, and any correspondence, emails, memos, briefing notes from the Department of the Taoiseach to the Taoiseach on, about, or related to the letter from Shire Pharmaceuticals Ireland. 3. Any correspondence, briefing notes, memos, emails between any representatives from the Department of the Taoiseach and the Department of Health in relation to Shire Pharmaceuticals Ireland dated from January 1st 2017 to date.</p>	19/04/2017	Part granted

FOI/2017/0100	The total cost and number of booklets, brochures, leaflets and documents published in relation to Brexit - including the Brexit Ireland's Priorities brochure - which have been shared throughout the European Union and an itemised breakdown of the costs and number for the different items.	28/04/2017	Granted
FOI/2017/0101	Copies of all briefing notes compiled for the Taoiseach in relation to political engagements during his visit to Washington in March 2017. Copies of all in-house correspondence relating to the briefing material. Correspondence in relation to logistical arrangements is not requested. Copies of all correspondence between press advisers and the department/Taoiseach in relation to speeches during the Taoiseach's visit to Washington in March 2017. Correspondence includes but is not limited to: emails, letters, faxes, SMS/in app messaging, notes of phone-calls, briefing notes, minutes of meetings.	02/05/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0103	I request access to the following records which are non-personal and which I believe are held by the Department of Taoiseach in relation to the election in Northern Ireland: All briefing documents, reports, memos, draft reports, speeches and draft speeches prepared for the Taoiseach between January 9, 2017 and the date of this letter. All correspondence to and from the Taoiseach with government officials between January 9, 2017, and the date of this letter. All representations and correspondence to and from the Taoiseach's Office with foreign heads of State between January 9, 2017 and the date of this letter.	15/06/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0106	All the Government Legislation Programmes for every session of the 30th Dail 2007 to 2011.	09/05/2017	Granted
FOI/2017/0107	Copies of all correspondence, memos and documents held within the Department relating to court proceedings undertaken by former Minister Alan Shatter regarding the report carried out by Sean Guerin; copies of all indemnities given to Sean Guerin for the court proceedings; copies of all fee notes issued by A&L Goodbody related to their representation of Sean Guerin; all fee notes issued by counsel for the High Court and Court of Appeal Hearings and receipts received for fees paid to date; and all documents relating to expenditure discharged by the Department for work undertaken in Sean Guerin's inquiry.	30/05/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0108	Records of the following from 2014: Copies of any reports (electronic or hard copy) held by your Department on the operations of Facebook in Ireland. Copies of any submissions (electronic or hard copy) made to your Department about Facebook by other government departments or third bodies. Copies (electronic or hard copy) of any submissions made to your Department by Facebook. A record of all contact between officials from your Department and Facebook. Details of all representations made to your Department by Facebook.	22/05/2017	Part granted

FOI/2017/0109	Copies of all records relating to the setting of salary level for the Special Adviser to Minister of State and Government Chief Whip Regina Doherty.	23/05/2017	Granted
FOI/2017/0110	Copies of the Taoiseach's diary for various dates from 2012 to 2017.	23/05/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0111	Copy of all emails between the Taoiseach and Google Ireland Limited which were sent between 1 Jan, 2016 to 30 Apr, 2016.	24/05/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0112	Details of all gifts received and purchased by Taoiseach Enda Kenny since he assumed the office of Taoiseach to date. This information should be broken down by year and include the cost/estimated value, who the gift was received from or who the intended recipient was. It should also include where the gifts purchased by the office were from, or in the case of gifts received-where they currently are.	31/05/2017	Granted
FOI/2017/0113	All details in relation to education and training programmes offered to staff within the Department from January 1, 2016, to date. This should include the following details: What courses were offered to staff? How many participated in each course? What was the cost and duration of each course? And what company/institute provided the education or training course? How many staff are currently employed by the Department?	30/05/2017	Granted
FOI/2017/0116	Copies of all requests for use of the Ministerial Air Transport Service in the period since 1 January 2017 to include a copy of the request, a copy of the response, and any to-and-from communications regarding the request.	26/05/2017	Granted
FOI/2017/0117	A list of the gifts, both exchanged and received, between An Taoiseach and The President of the United States between 2008 and the present day - the gifts can be those only exchanged during the annual St. Patrick's Day White House visit.	07/06/2017	Granted
FOI/2017/0121	Details of any gym, fitness or wellbeing facilities on or off site, used by staff of the Department? Can you confirm whether the Department refunds staff for gym membership subscriptions? If so, what is the yearly cost of this and how many staff avail of it? Does the Department fund other wellbeing activities for staff such as yoga classes, mindfulness or meditation? Can you please provide details of what these activities are and the yearly cost of them? You can narrow the request down to dealing with the period of 2015 – 2016 only.	19/06/2017	Granted
FOI/2017/0123	According to the lobbying register, Facebook's Niamh Sweeney met with Minister Dara Murphy and officials "To highlight issues arising in relation to the eCommerce Directive with the European Commission." Could I get copies of any records relating to this meeting such as minutes, briefing notes etc.	26/06/2017	Part granted

FOI/2017/0124	According to the lobbying register, Microsoft's Peggy Johnson met and emailed the Taoiseach earlier this year "To ensure the Government has a good understanding of Microsoft's business plans and commitment to Ireland." Could I please get any records in relation to this meeting, including emails, minutes, briefing notes etc.	20/06/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0128	Access to any minutes/briefings/memos related to the meeting between Facebook and Minister Murphy as outlined in the following lobbying return. https://www.lobbying.ie/return/16857/facebook-ireland-limited	27/06/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0129	Access to any minutes/briefings/memos related to the meeting between Facebook and Minister Murphy, Conor Gouldsbury and Declan Kelleher as outlined in the following lobbying return: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/16859/facebook-ireland-limited	27/06/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0131	All documentation prepared for and circulated at meetings of the Government Data Forum including minutes of each meeting.	27/06/2017	Part granted
FOI/2017/0133	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The number of AP2s in the Department 2. The number of AP1s in the Department 3. The number of AP1s in the Department who are assigned to designated posts 4. The number of AP1s in the Department who are assigned extra work over and above AP2s to justify the extra remuneration they received over and above AP2s 5. The number of AP1s who are also in receipt of an upgrade payment under the 1% PCW Allowance 6. The rules, regulations and method of appointment of AP1s in the Department 	26/06/2017	Granted