



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

Our Ref: Fol/Req/17/117

3 October 2017

Dear Mr. McMorrow,

I refer to the request which you made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 for access to records held by this Department (as confirmed by your email of 8 September 2017) as follows:

Copies of letters, emails, representations or other correspondence that have come to this Department, that highlight, detail or refer to “barriers to return” or other such issues affecting Irish people that have returned or wish to return to live in Ireland, dating from 1 January 2017 to 6 September 2017.

Following searches, I have identified 25 records that fall within the scope of your request. The records are listed in the schedule attached. I have made a decision to grant or part-grant access to all of these records.

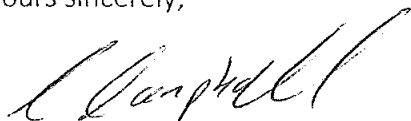
Where redactions have been made, this was in accordance with section 37(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2014, relating to personal information. I am satisfied that none of the exceptions to section 37(1) apply.

### 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Campbell', written in a cursive style.

Christopher Campbell  
Deputy Director  
Irish Abroad Unit

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