



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

Our Ref: Fol/Req/19/159

21 May 2019

Dear Mr Flanagan,

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:

*All documents held by the Department relating to a call from the French Ambassador to the Second Secretary General Rory Montgomery, on 19 November 2016.*

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 2 May 2019.

Having conducted a search of the Department's records, I have not located any records that fall within the scope of your request. Therefore your request falls for refusal on administrative grounds under Section 15(1)(a) of the FOI Act, as the "the record concerned does not exist".

**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

Pablo Leahy Gómez

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