



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

Our Ref: Fol/Req/19/345

23 December 2019

Dear Ms. Bray

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 internal and external correspondence in relation to: the Taoiseach's use of a Government jet for travel to Croatia for a European People's Party event in November

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request, which was sent to you on 6 December 2019.

I have identified 24 records that fall within the scope of your request. The records are listed in the schedule attached. I have made a decision to grant and/or partly grant 17 of the records.

Where access has been refused, the records are exempt from release under Section 33, where release may compromise the security of the State; Section 37, where records relate to the personal information of government employees; and Section 42, where records relate to proceedings in the Oireachtas.

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. 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, 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.

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