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CASE NUMBER	DATE RECEIVED	REQUESTOR TYPE	REQUEST	DECISION
FOI/Req/23/013	20/01/2023	Other	<p>I hereby request access to all Records held by the Department:</p> <p>A. In relation to events during the period 1 January 2022 to 24 February 2022 concerning potential challenges and/or issues faced by the aviation and aviation finance industries as a result of the prospect of armed conflict or hostilities between Russia and Ukraine, including (but not limited to) the potential imposition of sanctions on Russia;</p> <p>Between any Senior Official(s) and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AerCap Holdings NV or parties on behalf of AerCap Holdings NV or on behalf of its affiliates; • Aircraft Leasing Ireland or parties on behalf of Aircraft Leasing Ireland or on behalf of its affiliates; • SMBC Aviation Capital Limited or parties on behalf of SMBC Aviation Capital Limited or on behalf of its affiliates; • any other department of Government; • any other diplomatic channels (including any administrative, legislative or other department(s) within the European Commission); and/or • another Senior Official or Senior Officials <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <p>B. In relation to events during the period 25 February 2022 to 31 August 2022 concerning the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • insurance and reinsurance of aircraft; • the text of and/or sanctions imposed by the Council Regulation (EU) 2022/328 of 25 February 2022; and/or • like sanctions imposed by the United Kingdom and United States of America and the terms of the relevant legislation of those jurisdictions <p>between any Senior Official(s) and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AerCap Holdings NV or parties on behalf of AerCap Holdings NV or on behalf of its affiliates; • Aircraft Leasing Ireland or parties on behalf of Aircraft Leasing Ireland or on behalf of its affiliates; • SMBC Aviation Capital Limited or parties on behalf of SMBC Aviation Capital Limited or on behalf of its affiliates; • any other department of Government; and/or • any other diplomatic channels (including any administrative, legislative or other department(s) within the European Commission); and/or • another Senior Official or Senior Officials. 	Refused
FOI/Req/23/021	01/02/2023	Media	<p>Under the FOI Act 2014, I am seeking the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a data dump of the Oracle financial management system in use by the Department covering the time period 2022. This information should contain data relating only to the following subheads: - Travel and subsistence (A2) - Training and development and incidental expenses (A3) 	Granted

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FOI/Req/23/030	22/02/2023	Other	<p>In the Nota Verbale sent to the Diplomatic network on 25, February 2020 (here attached) the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs states what follows: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation presents its compliments to all diplomatic representations accredited to the Republic of Italy and has the honour to communicate the following: In reference to the state of emergency of the national territory, relating to the health risk connected with the outbreak of pathologies derived from transmissible viral agents, we wish to inform the abovementioned Embassies that this Ministry, in agreement with the Ministry of Health and the Civil Protection Department, are initiating a system of communications to inform them of the measures being adopted by the Ministry of Health. It will be for the Protocol Department of this Ministry to inform you or the format and timings of the meetings which will be organised very soon, in agreement with our Crisis Unit. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation avails itself of this opportunity to renew to all accredited diplomatic representations the assurances of its highest esteem. Rome, 25 February 2020 In the press release published on 26, February 2020, the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs states: Yesterday, the Ministry issued the first daily report sent to the entire Italian diplomatic-consular network so that our Embassies and Consulates can transmit correct and transparent information all over the world on the real impact of the Coronavirus in Italy, with precise data and well-defined locations. defined that we are currently monitoring. The work of our country is and will remain based on maximum transparency towards the international community.</p> <p>https://www.esteri.it/it/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/approfondimenti/2020/02/nota-</p>	Refused

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			farnesina-risposta-emergenza-epidemiologica-da-covid-19/ A part of the FOIA legislation, I am herein requiring: 1. The minutes of the meetings organised by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs as stated in the Nota Verbale here attached from February 25 until March 10th 2020. 2. The daily report sent by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the diplomatic network starting from February 25 until March 10th 2020.	
FOI/Req/23/035	28/02/2023	Media	Under the FOI Act, I am requesting the release of any memos, emails or briefings provided to the minister since 1 February concerning the app TikTok.	Part Granted
FOI/Req/23/040	07/03/2023	Media	1. The total amount spent by the Dept. of Foreign Affairs on capital/rental/refurbishment works on all of Ireland's Ukrainian embassy in 2021. 2. Invoices and other relevant procurement documents in relation to the above works 3. All e-mail correspondence between Minister Simon Coveney and the Irish Embassy in Ukraine from September 1st 2021 and March 1st 2022.	Refused
FOI/Req/23/042	10/03/2023	Media	Copies of the central registers maintained by the Department of Foreign Affairs, as per its obligations as set out under Department of Public Expenditure and Reform Circular 01/2020: Procedures for Offsetting the Emissions Associating with Official Air Travel. Under the Circular, it is expected that registers contain details of individual flights, associated greenhouse gas emissions, and the monetary value calculated for each flight to be paid into the Climate Action Fund by the Department.	Granted
FOI/Req/23/044	15/03/2023	Media	I wish to request the following document from your office: A letter sent to the Irish Surrogacies Family Group 20th November 2022 in relation to surrogacies in Ukraine.	Part Granted

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FOI/Req/23/045	16/03/2023	Other	How many emergency passports have been issued by the DFA to Irish citizens aboard? If applicable, can you state the reason the emergency passport was requested (stolen, lost, etc.) and also the country in which it was requested from. Can I have the date from Jan 1, 2016 until March 1, 2023.	Part Granted
FOI/Req/23/047	22/03/2023	Media	Please send me the "EU-Israel Technical Arrangement". I believe the document was distributed by the European Commission to EU member states in 2004 or early 2005. It concerns trade with Israeli settlements.	Refused
FOI/Req/23/048	27/03/2023	Media	Under the FOI Act 2014, I am seeking the following: any correspondence or records created (between 1/1/2021 and 24/03/23) within this Department which refer to the International Defence Exhibition and Conference (IDEX) for 2023 and also for 2025 held in Abu Dhabi, UAE	Part Granted
FOI/Req/23/054	27/03/2023	Other	Child Passport issue number on implication of UM V Minister for foreign affairs case supreme court judgment. I would like to know how many passport issued to child, how many passport on hand for processing for issue for that judgement.	Refused