



An Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála
Baile Átha Cliath 2

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Dublin 2

Aoife Barry

Our ref: FOI/REQ/14/44

20 May 2014

Dear Ms Barry

I refer to your recent application under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Acts 1997 and 2003 for access to guest lists for the Céiliuradh event held in the Royal Albert Hall, London, on 10 April 2014.

As per my email to you of 28 April 2014, Section 46(1)(d) of the FOI Act states that the Act does not apply to records relating to the President. As the Céiliuradh event was part of the State visit to Britain by President Higgins, I am obliged to refuse access to the records requested.

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. 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

Julie O'Brien

FOI Officer