



An Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála
Baile Átha Cliath 2

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Dublin 2

Our Ref: FoI/Req/16/022

21 March 2016

Scott Parker
Director of Investigations
Republican National Committee
310 First St. SE
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Mr. Parker

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:

I seek any and all records in any format, that mention, reference, or relate to the contribution to, participation with, or any interaction with the Clinton Foundation, fka the William J. Clinton Foundation. The scope of my request includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- *Any and all correspondence and records sent to, or received by, Irish Aid (Development Cooperation Ireland) concerning internal deliberations and the subsequent decision to donate to the William J. Clinton Foundation*
- *Any and all correspondence and records sent to, or received by, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade concerning internal deliberations and the subsequent decision to donate to the William J. Clinton Foundation*
- *A copy of any and all correspondence and records and/or financial documents related to the disbursements of funds to the William J. Clinton Foundation*

The time frame of this request is from January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003.

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 1st March, 2016.

I have identified forty two (42) records that fall within the scope of your request. The records are listed in the schedule attached. I have made a decision to grant all of the records. We have redacted a part of one record. The redactions are in reference to Section 33(c) of the Freedom of Information Act 2014.

Within the time frame of your request, the Government of Ireland signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the William J Clinton Foundation where we committed to work in partnership in selected countries. We note that within the timeframe of your request, we made no disbursements or donations to the William J Clinton Foundation.

Further Information:

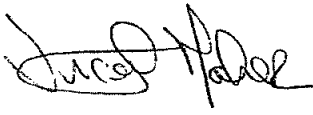
Since 2003, the Irish Government signed two subsequent MoUs with the Clinton Foundation. Throughout our partnership with the Clinton Foundation the bulk of our funds have been channelled directly to the Ministries of Health in the selected countries of operation namely Mozambique and Lesotho. We have disbursed a total of €135 million to the Ministry of Health in Mozambique and €18.246 million to the Ministry of Health in Lesotho, while a total of €2.326 million has been disbursed to the Clinton Foundation (CF)/ Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI) for the provision of technical support to both Ministries.

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@dfat.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@dfat.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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