3 August 2016

Our Ref: FOI/Req/16/082

Aaron Rogan, The Times, 4th Floor, Bishops Square, Redmonds Hill, Dublin 2

Dear Mr Rogan,

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 prepared for release in the event that Britain voted to REMAIN in the European Union"

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 8 July, and the extension of the date for release which was agreed on 22 July.

I have identified one record that falls within the scope of your request, which is listed in the schedule attached. I have made a decision to grant this record. The document in question is a draft statement which was prepared for the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade for release in case of a Remain vote, but was never finalised.

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 <u>foi@dfat.ie</u>. 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 <u>foi@dfat.ie</u>, 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.

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Yours sincerely	
Kate Oliver	