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From: Cunningham Gerry HQ-POLITICAL
Sent: Tuesday 3 August 2021 22:11
To: Kavanagh Sarah HQ-POLITICAL
Subject: RE: JCFAD request for briefing
Attachments: 20210729 Background Note- Special Envoy or Ambassadors for Human Rights in the EU and Likeminded.docx

Hi Sarah

Thanks – give me a ring on the mobile in the morning. Given the guidance on a “short/factual note” we probably have enough detail in the note sent on Thursday (attached) – further detail on UK is below, but the focus seems to be on sticking to “toplines”.

Talk to you in the morning

Gerry

Former UK Special Envoy on Media Freedom Amal Clooney reportedly did not receive a fee for her work ([BBC](#)). Appointed in April 2019, she quit in September 2020 over opposition to the Brexit Bill

Joanna Roper (FCO career diplomat) and former Special Envoy on Gender Equality . The role had an [estimated budget](#) of £250,000. Actual salary in 2017 was in a pay scale from £120,000 to £125,000. Ms Roper was appointed Ambassador to the Netherlands in October 2020.

In January 2021, Helen Grant MP (Conservative) was appointed [Special Envoy](#) for Girls Education

In May 2021 PM Johnson appointed Lord Nick Herbert (former conservative MP) as the UK’s first Special [Envoy](#) for LGBT rights

From: Kavanagh Sarah HQ-POLITICAL <Sarah.Kavanagh@dfa.ie>
Sent: Tuesday 3 August 2021 19:10
To: Cunningham Gerry HQ-POLITICAL <Gerry.Cunningham@dfa.ie>
Subject: Re: JCFAD request for briefing

Hi G, I’ll have a look at this & speak to you tomorrow. S

On 3 Aug 2021, at 18:34, Johnston Declan HQ-POLITICAL <Declan.Johnston@dfa.ie> wrote:

“Short and factual” is the editorial guidance.

From: Johnston Declan HQ-POLITICAL

Sent: Tuesday 3 August 2021 18:26

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Hello,

Further to the below, the PD has been in touch with me about coordinating on this – can both sections send their notes to me please? I will amalgamate and send on to her in one go for clearance.

Thank you,

Declan

From: Hyland Sonja HQ-POLITICAL <Sonja.Hyland@dfa.ie>

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Cc: Keown Gerard HQ-POLITICAL <Gerard.Keown@dfa.ie>; Johnston Declan HQ-POLITICAL <Declan.Johnston@dfa.ie>

Subject: Fwd: JCFAD request for briefing

Gerry, Garrett

Grateful please if you can send me these notes to clear before sending to John Conlon. Can you WhatsApp me to let me know when you've emailed them to me

Thanks

Sonja

Begin forwarded message:

From: Keown Gerard HQ-POLITICAL <Gerard.Keown@dfa.ie>

Date: 3 August 2021 at 17:58:22 IST

To: Hyland Sonja HQ-POLITICAL <Sonja.Hyland@dfa.ie>

Subject: Fwd: JCFAD request for briefing

To be aware.

Kind regards,

Gerard

Begin forwarded message:

From: Conlan John HQ-FINANCE & HR <John.Conlan@dfa.ie>

Date: 3 August 2021 at 18:41:51 GMT+2

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Cc: Sec Gen PSSG <PSSG@dfa.ie>, Sheridan Mark HQ-SCC <Mark.Sheridan@dfa.ie>, Gallagher Julita HQ-SEC GEN <Julita.Gallagher@dfa.ie>, Bolger Marianne HQ-HR <Marianne.Bolger@dfa.ie>, Mulligan Barry HQ-HR <Barry.Mulligan@dfa.ie>
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Colleagues

I spoke to the SG and he has suggested that we approach this as follows:

1. Gerry – can you prepare a note on the international use of envoys by other countries and administrations.
2. Gerard – Can you provide a note on the use of envoys by DFA. This was mainly in association with the SECCO campaign. I think the Government appointed Katherine Zappone as a political envoy for the Security Council campaign. In addition we appointed a number of regional envoys – can you list these. Are there any envoys still appointed? Are UN section aware of any other envoys.
3. In relation to the appointment of Katherine Zappone I will draft a note.

Can you submit your notes to me by lunchtime tomorrow and I'll discuss with the SG

Regards

John

From: Gallagher Julita HQ-SEC GEN <Julita.Gallagher@dfa.ie>
Sent: Tuesday 3 August 2021 13:42
To: Sheridan Mark HQ-SCC <Mark.Sheridan@dfa.ie>; Bolger Marianne HQ-HR <Marianne.Bolger@dfa.ie>; Conlan John HQ-FINANCE & HR <John.Conlan@dfa.ie>
Cc: Sec Gen PSSG <PSSG@dfa.ie>
Subject: FW: JCFAD request for briefing

Colleagues

Please see attached. I would be grateful for an advice.

All the best julita

From: Johnston Declan HQ-POLITICAL <Declan.Johnston@dfa.ie>
Sent: Tuesday 3 August 2021 12:45
To: Gallagher Julita HQ-SEC GEN <Julita.Gallagher@dfa.ie>; #HQ-POL Secretariat <POL.Secretariat@dfa.ie>

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Julita,

As this request relates to a staffing appointment, which Political Division have not initiated or led, we would suggest that this request is better coordinated by Corporate Services Division, who have led on similar requests on this role to date. We would be happy to contribute material where appropriate.

Best Regards,

Declan

From: Gallagher Julita HQ-SEC GEN <Julita.Gallagher@dfa.ie>
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Cc: #HQ-SGO Secretary Gens Office
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Colleagues

Please see below a request for briefing. I would be grateful if you could directly liaise with Donna Maguire. Please note the submission date.

All the best julita

From: Donna Maguire <Donna.Maguire@oireachtas.ie>
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To: Gallagher Julita HQ-SEC GEN <Julita.Gallagher@dfa.ie>; Carroll Peter HQ-SEC GEN <Peter.Carroll@dfa.ie>
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Good morning,

I am writing on behalf of the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs and Defence who would like to request a briefing note on the recent appointment of Katherine Zappone as special envoy for freedom of expression. Further, they would appreciate detailed background on all other special envoy roles; when they were appointed; criteria for appointment; details of the roles involved; remuneration for the roles, and any other relevant information.

I would be most obliged if you could arrange for the return of the briefing to jcafd@oireachtas.ie by close of business **Thursday the 5th of August.**

If you have any queries or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,
Donna

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