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Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Baile Átha Cliath 2
Dublin 2

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Justine McCarthy
The Sunday Times
4th Floor
Bishop's Square
Redmond's Hill
Dublin 2

Our ref: FOI/Req/2016/048

Dear Ms McCarthy,

I refer to your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 in which you requested:

- 1. Information on the Minister's meeting with board members of the Irish Arts Centre in September 2015 and January 2016;**
- 2. Any possible correspondence between the Department and the Centre's two flagship fundraisers, Gabriel Byrne and Liam Neeson; and,**
- 3. Any information and correspondence relating to the development of the new Irish Arts Centre dating back to March 2014.**

I have identified 96 records that fall within the scope of your request. I have made a decision to grant full access to 59 records, part grant 23 records, and refuse 14 records. The records are listed in the schedule attached.

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.

Yours sincerely

Mary Connery
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Irish Abroad Unit