



**An Roinn Gnóthaí  
Eachtracha agus Trádála**  
Department of  
Foreign Affairs and Trade

Our Ref: Fol/Req/20/019

31 January, 2020

Dear Mr. Hughes,

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 am seeking the following documents:  
E-submission dated 4/11/2019 and entitled "Minister's approval sought for acceptance of a gift of a painting to this Department."

I refer also to the acknowledgement of your request which was sent to you on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2020.

I have identified one record that falls within the scope of your request. The record is listed in the schedule attached. I have made a decision to grant this record.

**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@dfa.ie](mailto:foi@dfa.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@dfa.ie](mailto:foi@dfa.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

Claire Frizzell  
Property Management Unit  
Department of Foreign Affairs