Re: FOI request reference FOI/2015/28

Dear

I refer to the request which you made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 seeking a detailed breakdown of how much former Minister for Communications, Energy and Natural Resources, Mr. Pat Rabbitte has claimed in mileage and expenses each year since 25th February 2011.

I have now made the final decision to grant your request. The following table shows the breakdown:

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<th>2011</th>
<th>2012</th>
<th>2013</th>
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<th>Total</th>
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<tr>
<td>Kilometre Expenses</td>
<td>€8,810</td>
<td>€10,192</td>
<td>€13,732</td>
<td>€11,383</td>
<td>€44,117</td>
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<td>Subsistence</td>
<td>€875</td>
<td>€2,155</td>
<td>€1,852</td>
<td>€887</td>
<td>€5,769</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other Expenses</td>
<td>€80</td>
<td>€68</td>
<td>€267</td>
<td>€70</td>
<td>€485</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>€9,765</td>
<td>€12,415</td>
<td>€15,851</td>
<td>€12,340</td>
<td>€50,371</td>
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In the event that you are not happy with this decision you can make an appeal in relation to this matter. You can do so by writing to the Freedom of Information Unit, Elm House, Earlsvale Road, Cavan or by e-mail to FOI.Unit@dcenr.gov.ie. You should make your appeal within 4 weeks (20 working days) from the date of this notification, where a day is defined as a working day excluding the weekend and public holidays, 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 body.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact.

Yours sincerely

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02/04/2015

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Dear [Name],

I refer to your request dated 27/03/2015 which was received by this office on 30/03/2015 which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 for records held by this FOI body. Your request sought:

A detailed breakdown of how much former Minister for Communications, Energy and Natural Resources Mr Pat Rabbitte has claimed in mileage and any other day to day expenses each year since the current Government was elected Friday 25th February 2011.

The decision maker handling your request is Ms Carmel Daly, Human Resources Division, Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources and they can be contacted at 016782187. A final decision on your request would normally be sent to you within 4 weeks, where a week is defined as 5 working day excluding the weekend and public holidays. This means that you can expect a decision letter to issue not later than 29/04/2015.

There are some limited situations under the FOI Act which could mean that the period for a final decision may be longer than this 4 week period. If this occurs in the case of your request, you will be advised promptly in writing setting out the reason and the new decision date.

Should our final decision not reach you on time, please feel free to contact the decision maker named above to discuss any problems that may have arisen. If you have not heard from us once the allotted time has expired, you are automatically entitled to appeal for a review of the matter. This review proceeds on the legal basis that the initial request is considered to be refused once the specified time for responding to it has expired. The review is a full and new examination of the matter carried out by a more senior member of staff.

In the event that you need to request such a review, you can do so by writing to FOI Unit, Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources, Elm House, Earlsvale Rd, Cavan, Co Cavan or alternatively by sending an e-mail to FOI.UNIT@deerr.gov.ie. You should state that you are seeking this review because an initial decision was not sent to you within the time allowed for a response. In that event, you would normally have 4 weeks (after the initial decision should have been sent to you) in which to make the appeal. Consideration will be given to late applications in appropriate circumstances.

Should you wish to discuss the above, please contact me by telephone at 01 6782902.

Yours sincerely,

Carmel Conaty
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Request for Access to Records under the Freedom of Information Act, 2014

Dear Sir or Madam,

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2014, I wish to request access to the following records, which I believe to be held by your Department/organisation:

- A detailed breakdown of how much former Minister for Communications, Energy and Natural Resources Mr Pat Rabbitte has claimed in mileage and any other day to day expenses each year since the current Government was elected on Friday, 25 February 2011.

I look forward to your response confirming that you have received my request.
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