

Annex A – FOI Requests received, timeliness of response and initial outcomes for Quarter 1, 2009 by Department

Department	DARD	DCAL ¹	DE	DEL	DETI	DFP	DHSSPS	DOE	DRD	DSD	OFMDFM	TOTALS
Total number of requests received	84	100	37	28	36	109	45	168	75	49	39	770
Processed	78	91	37	25	33	102	45	168	75	47	34	735
On hold or lapsed	6	3	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	4	18
Still being processed	0	6	0	1	1	7	0	0	0	1	1	17
Timeliness												
Total received excluding on hold or lapsed	78	97	37	26	34	107	45	168	75	48	35	750
Deadline met	77	77	36	25	33	83	38	159	75	46	28	677
Permitted extension	1	5	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	1	5	17
Late response	0	15	1	0	1	20	7	9	0	1	2	56
Outcomes												
Total received excluding on hold or lapsed	78	97	37	26	34	107	45	168	75	48	35	750
Number where information not held	4	29	2	0	5	10	1	3	0	3	4	61
Total resolvable requests	74	68	35	26	29	97	44	165	75	45	31	689
Granted in full	42	53	29	20	19	57	42	92	69	38 ¹	25	486
Partially disclosed	22	5	0	3	6	21	2	55	5	5	3	127
Fully withheld	10	2 ²	6 ³	2	3	12	0	18	1	1 ⁴	2	57
Still being processed	0	8	0	1	1	7	0	0	0	1	1	19

¹ Includes 12 cases where some information was not held. The information that was held was released.

² Includes 1 request refused due to costs exceeding appropriate limit.

³ Includes 4 requests refused due to costs exceeding appropriate limit.

⁴ Includes 1 request refused due to costs exceeding appropriate limit.

Annex B – Exemptions Applied for Quarter 1, 2009 by Department

Department	DARD	DCAL ¹	DE	DEL	DETI	DFP	DHSSPS	DOE	DRD	DSD	OFMDFM	TOTALS
Freedom of Information Exemptions												
The number of times each of the exemptions in sections 21 to 44 were cited as the reason for refusal ²												
S(21) Information accessible to public by other means	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	6
S(22) Information intended for future publication	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
S(30) Investigations and proceedings conducted by public authorities	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
S(31) Law enforcement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
S(32) Court records, etc	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
S(35) Formulation of Government policy, etc	1	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	4	9
S(36) Prejudice to effective conduct of public affairs	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	4
S(39) Environmental Information	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	62	0	0	0	62
S(40) Personal information	21	1	0	1	2	16	2	10	4	5	1	63
S(41) Information provided in confidence	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
S(42) Legal professional privilege	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
S(43) Commercial interests	1	0	0	1	5	12	0	0	0	0	0	19

Annex C – Exceptions Applied for Quarter 1, 2009 by Department

Department	DARD	DCAL ¹	DE	DEL	DETI	DFP	DHSSPS	DOE	DRD	DSD	OFMDFM	TOTALS
Environmental Information Regulations Exceptions												
The number of times each of the exceptions to the right to disclosure in regulation 12 were cited as the reason for refusal ²												
3(a) Exempt personal data	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	38	0	0	0	42
4(b) Manifestly unreasonable	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	3
4(c) Too general	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
4(d) Work in progress / incomplete data	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	7
4(e) Internal communications	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	7
5(a) Adverse effect on international relations, defence, national security or public safety	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
5(b) Adverse effect on course of justice or conduct of inquiries	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	30
5(c) Adverse	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
5(d) Impinges on confidentiality of a public authority's work	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
5 (e) Impinges on confidentiality of commercial or industrial information	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 (f) Adverse effect on interests of person who provided the information	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 (g) Adverse effect on protection of environment to which information relates	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1

Annex D – Internal Reviews and Appeals to the Information Commissioner during 2009 by Department

Department	DARD	DCAL ¹	DE	DEL	DETI	DFP	DHSSPS	DOE	DRD	DSD	OFMDFM	TOTALS
Internal Reviews												
Total number of reviews (in calendar year)	5	2	0	0	0	7	1	3	0	0	2	20
Number where outcome known	5	1	0	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	2	16
Original decision upheld in full	4	1	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	2	12
Original decision upheld in part	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
Complaint upheld	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Appeals to the Information Commissioner												
Total number of appeals (in calendar year)	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	6
Number where outcome known	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Original decision upheld in full	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Original decision upheld in part	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Complaint upheld	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Informal resolution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

¹ The DCAL totals include figures for the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland (PRONI).

² Note that a single refusal can encompass more than one specific exemption / exception, and note also that exemptions / exceptions that do not appear above were not used.