



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

Ken Foxe

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Our Ref: Fol/Req/16/207

16th January 2017

Dear Mr. Foxe,

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:

.....Copies of invoices/receipts related to the following transactions along with a description of the item or items purchased in each case and the purpose of them:

1. A6ART ITEMS OF ARTISTIC VALUE (& ancillary costs - ASU) 19/11/2015 Architectural Services (Accommodation) NATIONAL GALLERY DONATIONS € 25,504.21

2. A6ART ITEMS OF ARTISTIC VALUE (& ancillary costs - ASU) 18/12/2015 Architectural Services (Accommodation) € 25,000

3. A6ART ITEMS OF ARTISTIC VALUE (& ancillary costs - ASU) 19/11/2015 Architectural Services (Accommodation) NATIONAL GALLERY DONATIONS € 18,974.46

4. A6ART ITEMS OF ARTISTIC VALUE (& ancillary costs - ASU) 22/04/2015 Architectural Services (Accommodation) € 18,500

5. A6ART ITEMS OF ARTISTIC VALUE (& ancillary costs - ASU) 26/10/2015 Architectural Services (Accommodation) € 17,716.54

As responding officer, I have decided to grant access to all records.

Ireland's diplomatic and consular missions abroad perform a wide range of functions in support of Ireland's foreign policy interests including representing and advancing government policies internationally, frontline consular and passport services to citizens overseas and economic and cultural promotion. Our missions also work very closely with the state agencies in the promotion of exports, tourism and inward investment. The Department's missions provide a platform for the promotion of Ireland's trade and economic interests and cultural heritage, while also serving as showcases for Irish arts, crafts and products. Irish artists are renowned globally for their artistic excellence. Promotion of Ireland's culture, arts and creative industries through our mission network is a key element of the Department's Statement of Strategy.

The Department has an agreement/memorandum of understanding with the National Gallery and Irish Museum of Modern Art for the loan and care of national art work. As part of that agreement the Department is responsible for the transportation and insurance of these art works using qualified and specialist art transporters to ensure their safety and care.

Item Number	Description	Purpose
1. 19/11/2015 Architectural Services (Accommodation) NATIONAL GALLERY DONATIONS € 25,504.21	Provided on the invoice provided, labelled Invoice 1.	The official accommodation relocated in 2015 and these art pieces had to be moved to the new location by specialists.
2. 18/12/2015 Architectural Services (Accommodation) € 25,000	Invoice 2 - Details of items provided on invoice.	Commissioning of 7 exact replicas of the work ARRIVAL by the Department which depict the famine ships. These items are for displayed in the largest offices which hosted Famine events.
3. 19/11/2015 Architectural Services (Accommodation) NATIONAL GALLERY DONATIONS € 18,974.46	Invoice 1 - Details of items provided on invoice.	Cost of transporting art work from Berne to Dublin.
4. 22/04/2015 Architectural Services (Accommodation) € 18,500	Invoice 3 – Purchase of the painting “Abbeyville” by Hughie O’Donoghue	Purchase of significant and historical piece of Irish art from a private seller which is now on display in Iveagh House.

5. 26/10/2015 Architectural Services (Accommodation) € 17,716.54	Invoice 4 – Details of items provided on invoice.	Return of art pieces which were on loan to the Irish Embassy in The Hague from IMMA.
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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.

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



Liz Finn
Property Management Unit
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

INVOICE 1.

Gailearaí Náisiúnta na hÉireann



Ms. Monica Horgan
Architectural Services Unit
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
76-78 Harcourt Street
Dublin 2

INVOICE

Date: 17th November 2015
Re: Transport of Artworks

Description	Price
Transport of works from Ambassador of Ireland's old to new residence in Vienna - see attached invoice	€ 20,735.13
Transport of damaged work from Berne to Dublin	€ 15,426.39
Subtotal	€ 36,161.52
VAT on € 36,161.52 @ 23%	€ 8,317.15
TOTAL	€ 44,478.67

hist item 1
hist item 3

Please pay into the Bank Account listed below.

Bank Name: _____
Bank Address: _____
Account Name: National Gallery Donations
Account Number:
Sort Code:
IBAN:
BIC/SWIFT:

INVOICE CHECKED &
IN ORDER FOR PAYMENT
19 NOV 2015
Signature: _____

INVOICE 2

RT WORKS

18 DEC 2015

INVOICE CHECKED & IN ORDER FOR PAYMENT
21 DEC 2015
Signature: = *[Handwritten Signature]*

Llanac
21 Lower Canal Road
Galway City
Co Galway

16 December, 2015

Breandan O'Caillai
Department of Foreign Affairs
St Stephen's Green
Dublin 2

INVOICE

in respect of the completion and supply of seven exact bronze replicas of the work ARRIVAL, as previously discussed and agreed with the Department of Foreign Affairs.

TOTAL COST €25,000.00

John Behan

John Behan

Bank details

Acc. No. .

Swift Code --

Acc. Name:-

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: 04 December 2014 21:01
To: McSwiney Mark HQ-ARCH
Subject: Painting by Hughie O'Donoghue

Mr Mark McSwiney
Senior Architect
Department of Foreign Affairs
Dublin 2
Ireland

4 December, 2014

Dear Mr McSwiney,

I am pleased to note your confirmation that the Department of Foreign Affairs proposes to purchase a painting of mine, titled "Abbeyville" by the artist Hughie O'Donoghue.

I confirm that the proposed price of €18,500 is acceptable to me and I am pleased that the work will join other artworks exhibited by the Department of Foreign Affairs in Ireland or abroad.

I am providing my contact details below in order to facilitate collection of the painting at the Department's convenience.

My [Redacted] details are as follows :

[Redacted]
[Redacted]

I look forward to hearing from you regarding the preferred payment procedure and will, of course, be pleased to assist in any way the collection of the painting here in Brussels at your and Department's convenience.

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted]

Please pay [Redacted]
€18,500 for painting described
in the sanction above.
Charge to A6 Major Mt.
Cost Centre 15202. Project
Code X005CHN.

Deirdre Ferris
12 January 2015.

INVOICE CHECKED &
IN ORDER FOR PAYMENT

13-01-2015

SIGNATURE: Aileen Murphy

Original held for VAT purposes



Kortmann Art Packers & Shippers B.V., Bijlmermoerstraat 2, NL 2131 HG Hoofddorp

Ambassador John Neary
Embassy of Ireland
Scheveningseweg 112

NL - 2584AE Den Hague

invoice : 12152229
Project : 121403129 3 01
Customer : 88870
Service : 27.05.15

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Our Sign: Extension-Tel.: Fax: E-mail:
ESA 0031-2050255 04 -01 e.savelberg@kortmann.nl

Date:
30.09.2015

Invoice

Return shipment from Irish Embassy to IMMA Dublin
november/december 2014

	VAT Free	VAT Req.
Irish Embassy, Den Haag, NL Site visit by Kortmann carpenter to check measurements and discuss packing		175,00 EUR
Barrie Cooke, Woman of the Burren/Woman in Burren Supply of a travel frame and transport crate		645,00 EUR
Tony O'Malley, He Searches Winter- The Windhover Mary Swanzy, Abstract, undated Supply of a transport crate (2 paintings)		435,00 EUR
Gerard Dillon, Returning from the Grotto Edward McGuire, Portrait of Paddy Collins Supply of a transport crate (2 paintings)		325,00 EUR
Gerard Dillon, Boy Drawing Colin Middleton, Strange Openings Supply of a transport crate (2 paintings)		325,00 EUR
Louis le Brocquy, James Joyce Study 64 William Crozier, North Star Venus Supply of a transport crate (2 paintings)		450,00 EUR
Gerard Dillon, Clown with Bird on Canvas William Leech, On the Thames, London Bridge from Billingsgate Supply of a transport crate (2 paintings)		325,00 EUR
Subtotal		2.680,00 EUR

PAID

Payment Authorised
Kenneth Cooke
5-10-2015

Invoice for Services Performed: Payable immediately upon receipt without deduction

Kortmann
Art Packers & Shippers B.V.
Bijlmermoerstraat 2
NL 2131 HG Hoofddorp
Amsterdam, The Netherlands
info@kortmann.nl

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ING-Bank
Swift code: ING-BNL-2A
IBAN: NL29 0883 0094 44
Our VAT: NL 602454415B01
Chamber of Commerce: 34147550

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The Physical Conditions, deposited at the court of Amsterdam and Rotterdam September 1st 2000 are applicable to all our activities

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Invoice 4
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Kortmann

ART PACKERS SHIPPERS

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	VAT Free	VAT Req.
Subtotal from page 1		2.680,00 EUR
Colin Middleton, Bon Voyage Colin Middleton, Opus 1, No. 16, Group II), The Child's Brain Supply of a transport crate (2 paintings)		325,00 EUR
Delivery of empty crates		275,00 EUR
Packing and de/installation on site and packing in the crates 16/02 2 men x 9 hour x 46,90 EUR		844,20 EUR
Packing and works in Softpack and relocating them to the 1st floor 17-02 2 men x 1,25 hour x 46,90 EUR		117,25 EUR
Charges regarding packingmaterial - bubbel etc.		165,00 EUR
Transport from Den Haag to our warehouse		360,00 EUR
Transport related cost (ferry Rotterdam-Hull and Holyhead-Dublin)		2.650,00 EUR
Disbursement fee over the Transportrelated cost		92,75 EUR
Direct transport from our warehouse to Dublin incl. (un)loading Installation / Hanging 17 paintings on site at the Irisch Ambassadors Residence 2/3 2 men x 9 hour x 46,90 EUR		5.500,00 EUR
Charges regarding hangingsystem (Steddies) 34 x 15,00 EUR		844,20 EUR
Fuel surcharge over transportcharges 2,5 % x 6135,00 EUR		510,00 EUR
Organisation, communication and coordination		153,37 EUR
		125,00 EUR
Total		14.641,77 EUR
VAT Netherlands 21,00 % x 14.641,77 EUR		3.074,77 EUR
Total		17.716,54 EUR