

## Question

Request for copies of the following:

- Any correspondence (including emails, letters, meeting minutes, or records of phone calls) between the Department of Health, the Health Minister, or departmental officials and Baroness Hilary Cass (or her representatives) relating to this appointment.
- Any internal correspondence or briefing documents within the Department of Health relating to the decision to approach Baroness Cass for this role.
- Any assessment, advice, or consideration documents produced by or for the Department of Health in relation to the suitability of Baroness Cass to undertake this assessment.
- Details of any costs, fees, or expenses agreed or anticipated in relation to Baroness Cass's appointment.
- The terms of reference or scope of work provided to Baroness Cass for the assessment.
- If possible, I would prefer to receive this information electronically, by email.
- If any of the information requested is exempt under the FOI Act, please provide the specific exemption(s) applied and explain why they apply in this case.

## Response

- The documents and correspondence requested are attached on **Annex A**.
- Under Section 21 – some documents and information you requested are already available to public. You can access these via the Press Office.
- Regarding the costs. Baroness Cass and her colleagues will be reimbursed for their costs incurred regarding accommodation, travel and meals. They have not, however, requested any remuneration for their time carrying out the independent assessment.

- The Terms of Reference, which include the other elements requested, is information intended for future publication - therefore (S 22) applies.

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## Annex A



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Submission to  
Minister - Letter to Dr



Record of Meeting  
with Dr Cass - 21 Aug



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