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REF EIR\18\2

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you about your request for information dated 18/11/18 in which you requested:

I am requesting information as per the following.

In 2015/16 the department was requested to give a consultation response to issuing a mineral prospecting license for the KOZA Gold Corporation in the Mid Ulster and Fermanagh & Omagh District council areas , a response was returned tot he department dated 13/01/16.

- 1) Provide a copy of the request and all responses for your department or organisations within your department*
- 2) Was the consultation brought to the attention of the Minister to sign off? If so provide copies of all emails, memos, notes or minutes referencing this*
- 3) was the consultation brought to the attention of the special advisor to sign off? If so provide copies of all emails, memos, notes or minutes referencing this*

The Department of Justice has considered your request in line with its obligations under the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) 2004 and in relation to the questions you have provided can advise as follows:



1) Provide a copy of the request and all responses for your department or organisations within your department

A copy of the consultation response provided by the Department of Justice is attached. Please note this correspondence contained the names and contact details of junior officials of the Northern Ireland Civil Service. As this information constitutes the personal information of those officials it has been withheld in accordance with Regulation 13(1) of the EIR 2004.

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No recorded information is held. The reason for this is that as the response to the consultation was a nil return, it was not forwarded either to the Minister or his Special Advisor prior to issue. The reason for the response being a nil return is explained in the attached response.

If you are unhappy with the result of your request for information you may request an internal review within two calendar months of the date of this letter. If you request an internal review please do so in writing stating the reasons to the address above.

If following an internal review you were to remain dissatisfied you may make a complaint to the Information Commissioner and ask him to investigate whether the DOJ has complied with the terms of the EIR 2004. You can write to the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF



The Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been carried out.

Further details on the role of the Information Commissioner and the handling of appeals can be found at: www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

Records & Information Manager

