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**Mr Brian Donaldson**

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**Your Ref: Special Advisors  
Wages Bill**

**Our Ref: TEO / 2020 - 0086**

**Date: 10 November 2020**

Dear Mr Donaldson

### **Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for your request for information relating to the wage bill of Special Advisors within The Executive Office. Your request was received on 6 November 2020 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the above legislation.

In some circumstances a fee may be payable but if that is the case I will let you know the likely charges before proceeding.

Please contact me if you have any queries about this letter, remembering to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Given the staffing difficulties associated with the current *COVID-19* crisis, it may not be possible to adhere to statutory deadlines. However, we will endeavour to avoid delays, and to provide you with a full response as soon as possible. We would appreciate your patience and understanding at this difficult time.

Yours sincerely

Neelia Lloyd

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