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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information dated 29th April 2016 and detailed below.

I am requesting data on every ministerial appointment, which has been sanctioned by this department, which has taken effect since January 2006, until the present day.

I would like to receive this information in Excel format and broken down to show details on each specific appointment.

For each appointment, please include the following column headings:

- 1) The full name and title of each appointee.*
- 2) The public body to which each individual was appointed.*
- 3) The date when each appointment took effect and the date each appointment ended. (Where required, can it also be shown where an individual was reappointed to the same position.)*
- 4) The position which each appointee held in each public body e.g Chairperson or Board Member etc.*
- 5) The remuneration paid per annum to each appointee.*
- 6) The name of the minister who sanctioned each appointment.*
- 7) Where relevant, the political activity of each appointee, and any other declarations of interest they made.*



If an individual has been appointed to more than one public body, can you tell me to which other public bodies they were appointed since January 2006, when these appointments took effect, and how this impacted upon their remuneration per annum.

I am pleased to provide the following response.

The DOJ came into existence on 12 April 2010. This response covers information from that date.

Questions 1-5

The information requested is contained in the Public Bodies and Public Appointments Annual reports, available through the Executive Office website: <https://www.executiveoffice-ni.gov.uk/articles/public-appointments>

The 2015/16 Report is in the final stages of preparation. Once ready we will forward a copy to you.

Question 6

David Ford was the Minister of Justice since the Department came into existence on 12 April 2010 until he recently stood down from the post on the day of the recent Northern Ireland Assembly elections. During his tenure he sanctioned all public appointments requiring Ministerial approval.

Question 7

If declared, this information is contained in press releases. Links to relevant press releases are listed below.

<https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/news/justice-minister-appoints-nine-independent-members-policing-board>

<https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/news/ford-appoints-new-probation-board-members>

<https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/news/ford-appoints-new-chairperson-and-two-new-board-members-northern-ireland-police-fund>



<http://webarchive.prni.gov.uk/20131010142925/http://www.northernireland.gov.uk/index/media-centre/news-departments/news-doj/news-doj-september-2013/news-doj-060913-justice-minister-appoints.htm>

All press releases can be found on the DOJ and PRONI websites.

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 FOIA. 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

If you wish to discuss this please contact the Freedom of Information Team using the contact details provided at the top of the first page. Please remember to quote your reference in any correspondence.

Yours sincerely



Freedom of Information Manager

