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Our Ref. FOIR 043 022

1 April 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

I refer to your request dated 7 March 2022 made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 for records held by the Health Information and Quality Authority (HIQA).

Your request was the following:

Correspondence between HIQA CEO, and the Minister for Health Stephen Donnelly, or Minister of State for Older People Mary Butler, on the topic of residential care facilities complying with standards, due to the expiry of SI 293 from the start of 2022, between 1st December 2021 and 5th March 2022.

1. Decision

A final decision has been made today to refuse your request on the basis that no records relevant to your request were found.

2. Appeal Rights

If you are unhappy with this decision you may seek an internal review. In the event that you wish to do so, please e-mail foi@hiqa.ie. The appeal will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of the staff of HIQA. Please note that a fee of €30 (€10 for medical card holders) applies in the case of an internal review of non-personal FOI requests.

You should make your appeal within 20 working days from the date of this notification. However, the making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances.

3. Publication

It is the policy of HIQA to make decisions on non-personal FOI requests, including this decision letter and a copy of the records released, available to the public on our website <https://www.hiqa.ie/about-us/freedom-of-information>. Any personal information relating to

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you, such as your name etc., will be removed from the decision letter before this happens. This decision letter and the records released under FOI, will be added to our website approximately one week after today's date.

If you have any queries in relation to this decision, please feel free to contact the FOI Officer Sean Lynch on 085 8050586 or by email at foi@hiqa.ie.

Yours sincerely,

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