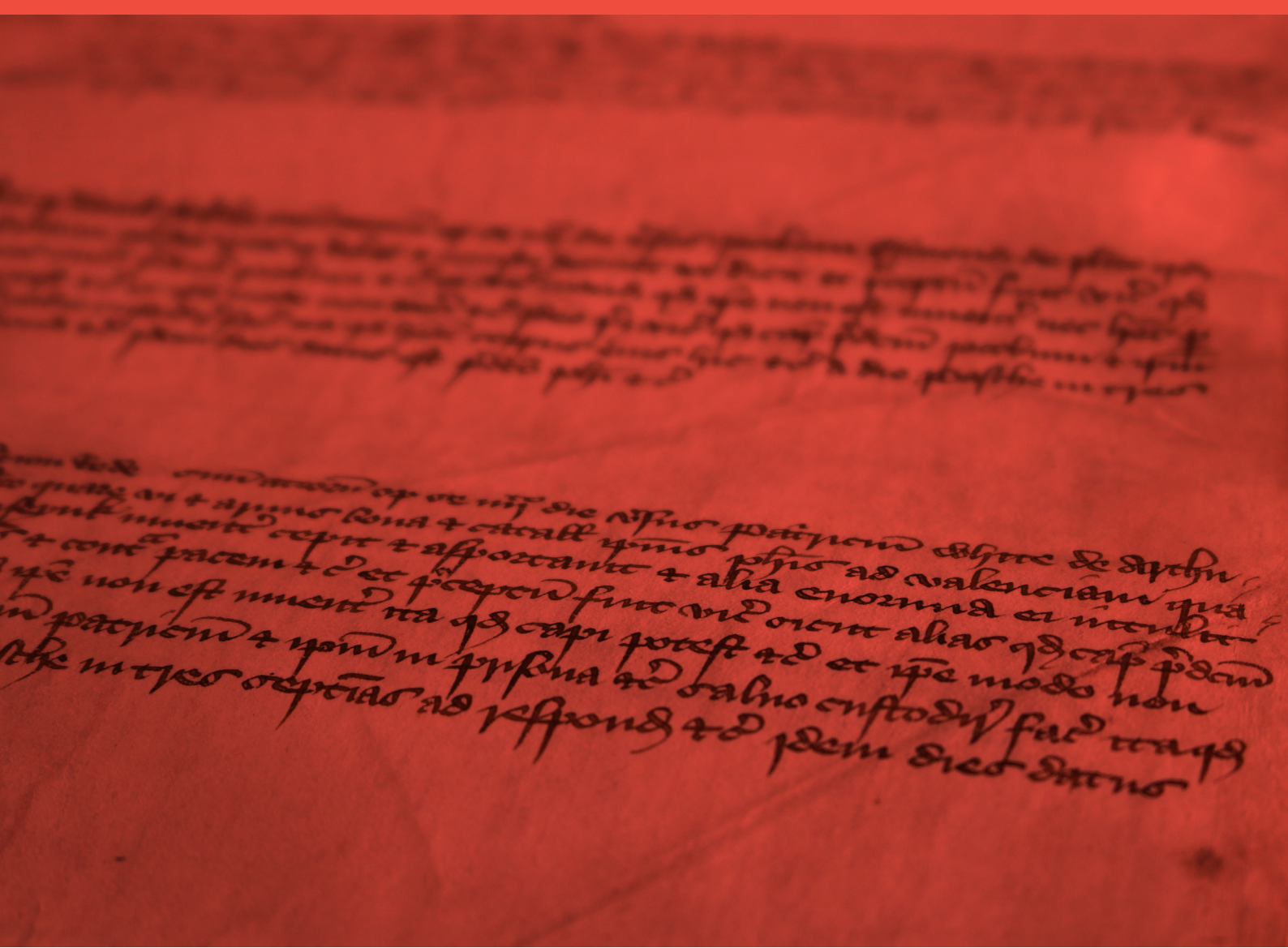




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Transfer of records pre-dating 1987 from Government Departments and Offices of State for release to public inspection under the 30-year rule: statement of position as of 31 December 2016

Table 1 Transfer of records from Government Departments to the National Archives for release to public inspection under the 30-year rule: statement of position as of 31 December 2016			
DEPARTMENT OF	RECORDS IN NATIONAL ARCHIVES	RECORDS DUE FOR TRANSFER	LAST YEAR RECORDS TRANSFERRED
Taoiseach	1919 to 1986	Transfers complete.	2016
Agriculture, Food and the Marine	1899 to 1960s	Transfers incomplete. Records from 1960s to 1986 outstanding. ¹	2016 (partial transfer)
Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs	Late 1900s; 1922 to 1962	Transfers incomplete. Records from 1950s to 1986 outstanding.	2016 ² (partial transfer)
Department of Children and Youth Affairs (see Department of Health)			
Communications, Energy and Natural Resources	1845 to 1970s	Transfers incomplete. Records from 1950s to 1986 outstanding.	2011 (partial transfer)
Defence	1922 to 1950s ³	Transfers incomplete. Records from 1960s to 1986 outstanding.	Not applicable

¹ Includes records of the former Land Commission, a scheduled body, but now the Land Commission Records Branch of the Department; records include documents of title, 17th century onwards, as well as records of the Congested Districts Board, late 19th century; administrative records of the Land Commission from late 19th century.

² Consists only of a small collection of records relating to the Placenames Commission

³ The Department of Defence makes separate arrangements for the transfer of records to the custody of the Military Archives, a place of deposit for records of the Department and the Defence Forces under Section 14 of the National Archives Act, 1986. The bulk of records transferred extend in date from 1922 to the 1960s only.

Education and Skills	1831 to 1980s	Transfers incomplete. Records from 1900s to 1986 outstanding.	2014 (partial transfer)
Environment, Community and Local Government	1838 to 1970s ⁴	Transfers incomplete. Records from 1960s to 1986 outstanding.	2016 (partial transfer)
Finance	1922 to 1976 ⁵	Transfers incomplete. Records from 1950s to 1980s outstanding.	2016
Foreign Affairs and Trade	1919 to 1986	Transfers complete. ⁶	2016
Department of Health	1920s to 1980s	Transfers incomplete. Records from 1950s to 1986 outstanding. ⁷	2010 ⁸
Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation	1922 to 1976	Transfers incomplete. Records from 1960s to 1986 outstanding.	2009 (partial transfer)
Justice and Equality	1922 to 1986	Transfers incomplete. Records from 1920s to 1943 and 1969 to 1986 transferred. ⁹	2016 (partial transfer)
Public Expenditure and Reform (see Department of Finance)			
Social Protection	1919 to 1980	Transfers incomplete. Records from 1970s to 1986 outstanding.	2014 (partial transfer)
Transport, Tourism and Sport	1922 to 1970s	Transfers incomplete. Records from 1960s to 1986 outstanding.	2014 (partial transfer)

⁴ A considerable quantity of records for the period 1920s to 1960s were transferred to the National Archives without appropriate finding aids. The task of cataloguing some 5000 boxes of archives is being undertaken by the National Archives as resources allow.

⁵ Although records of the Department of Finance up to 1975 have been transferred many of the records transferred were not accompanied by appropriate finding aids and the task of re-cataloguing approximately 2800 boxes of archives has been undertaken on an intermittent basis by the National Archives. Since 2015, the Department has been taking action to address the backlog of records held in their own offsite storage.

⁶ Records of some diplomatic missions are transferred on a cyclical basis as it is more cost effective. Consequently, not all records from all diplomatic missions up to 31 December 1986 have been transferred.

⁷ Due to space constraints in the National Archives, a considerable quantity of policy records of the Department of Health have not been accessioned. These remain in commercial storage funded by the Department.

⁸ Comprising only transfer of records relating to the administration of fever hospitals, 1936-1986

⁹ The National Archives has in its custody a considerable quantity of records (approximately 4300 archival box equivalents) of the Department, dating from the 1920s, that have yet to be reviewed by the Department to determine suitability for formal transfer to the National Archives and release to the public in accordance with Section 8 of the National Archives Act, 1986. Over 2000 records from the 1920s to 1943 have been released to the National Archives as a result of the work of the Archives Advisory Group. The examination of records from 1944 to 1968 has not yet been possible due to resource constraints.

Table 2

Transfer of records from the Courts to the National Archives for release to public inspection under the 30-year rule: statement of position as of 31 December 2016

COURT	LATEST YEAR OF RECORDS IN NATIONAL ARCHIVES	RECORDS DUE FOR TRANSFER	LAST YEAR RECORDS TRANSFERRED
Supreme Court	1970	1971-1986	1990
Court of Criminal Appeal	1972	1973-1986	1990
Central Criminal Court	1968	1969-1986	1987
High Court	1970	1971-1986	2000
Probate Office	1990	Transfers complete.	2012
Circuit Courts	1990	<p><i>Transfers complete:</i> Cavan, Cork, Donegal, Galway, Kilkenny, Longford, Louth, Mayo, Monaghan, Sligo, Tipperary, Westmeath and Wexford.</p> <p><i>Transfers incomplete:</i> Carlow, Clare, Dublin, Kerry, Kildare, Laois, Leitrim, Limerick, Meath, Offaly, Roscommon, Waterford and Wicklow ¹⁰.</p>	2014
District Courts ¹¹	1996	<p><i>Transfers complete:</i> Cavan, Cork, Galway, Kildare, Kilkenny, Louth, Monaghan, Sligo and Tipperary.</p> <p><i>Transfers incomplete:</i> Carlow, Clare, Dublin, Leitrim, Mayo and Waterford.</p> <p><i>No transfers:</i> Donegal, Kerry, Laois, Limerick, Longford, Meath, Offaly, Roscommon, Westmeath, Wexford and Wicklow.</p>	2013

¹⁰ Backlogs of records for transfer from 1943 to 1986 in the case of County Laois; from 1960 to 1986 in the case of County Leitrim and from 1945 to 1986 in the case of County Waterford.

¹¹ The District Courts were established under the Courts of Justice Act, 1924. Records of their predecessor Petty Sessions Courts, 1851 to 1922, were transferred to the former Public Record Office of Ireland, predecessor of the National Archives, in the 1920s.

Table 3

Bodies listed in the schedule to the National Archives Act, 1986 holding records eligible for transfer, but subject to Ministerial Direction of 1992 suspending requirement to transfer records under the 30-year rule due to accommodation constraints in the National Archives

NAME OF BODY	OBSERVATIONS
Office of Secretary to the President	Transfers completed, notwithstanding 1992 Ministerial Direction.
Office of the Attorney General (including Parliamentary Draftsman's Office, Statute Law Reform and Consolidation Office and Chief State Solicitor's Office)	Transfers completed of records of the Office of the Attorney General, 1922 to 1986 only, notwithstanding 1992 Ministerial Direction.
Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General	Records for the period 1920s–1962 transferred, notwithstanding 1992 Ministerial Direction.
Central Statistics Office	Census 1926, 1936, 1946 and partial census records for 1951 transferred, but closed to public inspection for 100 years under the Statistics Act, 1997. Administrative records from the late 19th century onwards remain with the CSO.
National Archives Advisory Council	No records eligible for transfer under 30 year rule.
National Archives	No records transferred. Records of predecessor Public Record Office of Ireland and State Paper Office, 1867-1986, eligible.
National Museum of Ireland (including Natural History Museum)	No records transferred. Records spanning the years 1877-1986 eligible.
Office of the Paymaster General	No records transferred.
Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions	Records for the years 1973–1984 have been accepted by the National Archives for safekeeping. These records have not been reviewed for public inspection.
National Savings Committee	No records transferred.
Revenue Commissioners	Records spanning a period from the 19th century to 1986 are eligible.
Appeals Commissioners (Income Tax)	No records transferred.
Commissioners of Public Works	Records from the late 18th century to the 1970s transferred. A quantity of eligible records remains with the OPW.
State Laboratory	No records transferred.
Ordnance Survey	Transfers of mapping documents up to 1870s and administrative records up to the 1920s completed. OSI still holds all the administrative records from 1920s and an entire building full of late 19th-mid 20th century mapping records.

Commissioner of Valuation and Chief Boundary Surveyor	Records valuations up to 1865 and miscellaneous administrative records (1830-early 20th century) completed. The VO still holds a very large quantity of documents from the mid-1800s to present.
Stationery Office	No records transferred.
Review Body on Higher Remuneration in the Public Sector	No records transferred.
Public Service Advisory Council	No records transferred.
Civil Service Arbitration Boards	No records transferred.
Civil Service Commissioners	Records for the period 1927–1970s accepted by National Archives for safe-keeping, but have not been reviewed for public inspection.
Local Appointments Commissioners	Records for the period 1927–1970s accepted by National Archives for safe-keeping, but have not been reviewed for public inspection.
An Garda Síochána	No records transferred.
Land Registry	No records transferred.
Registry of Deeds	No records transferred. Eligible records span the years 1708-1986.
Prisons and St. Patrick's Institution	Records of closed prisons from 1795 to 1922 transferred and Mountjoy Prison to 1970s. No post-1922 records transferred by other bodies.
Office of the Film Censor	Records 1920s to 1991 transferred, notwithstanding the 1992 Ministerial Direction.
Censorship of Films Appeal Board	Records 1920s to 1991 transferred, notwithstanding the 1992 Ministerial Direction.
Censorship of Publications Board	Records 1920s to 1991 transferred, notwithstanding the 1992 Ministerial Direction.
Censorship of Publications Appeal Board	No records transferred.
Criminal Injuries Compensation Tribunal	No records transferred.
Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests	Records from 19th to the mid-20th centuries transferred.
The Water Pollution Advisory Council	No records transferred.
The Rent Tribunal	No records transferred.
National Manpower Service	No records transferred.

The Labour Court	Records from 1946 to 1980 transferred.
Rights Commissioners	No records transferred.
The Employment Appeals Tribunal	No records transferred.
The Levy Appeals Tribunal	No records transferred.
Companies Registration Office	CRO currently transferring records to the National Archives, notwithstanding 1992 Ministerial Direction.
Patents Office	No records transferred.
Registry of Friendly Societies	See under Companies Registration Office above.
Restrictive Practices Commission	No records transferred.
Office of the Examiner of Restrictive Practices	No records transferred.
National Prices Commission	No records transferred.
Office of the Director of Consumer Affairs	No records transferred.
Registry of Building Societies	No records transferred.
National Consumer Advisory Council	No records transferred.
Motor Insurance Advisory Board	No records transferred.
An Comisiún Dumpála	No records transferred.
Land Commission	Under Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine in Table 1.
Office of Controller of Plant Breeders Rights	No records transferred.
Judicial Commissioner of Land Commission	No records transferred.
Appeal Tribunal of Land Commission	No records transferred.
Public Trustee of Land Commission	No records transferred.
Defence Forces	No records transferred. Place of deposit under Section 14 of the National Archives Act, 1986.
Army Pensions Board	No records transferred. Place of deposit under Section 14 of the National Archives Act, 1986.
General Register Office	No records transferred.
National Library (including the Genealogical Office)	No records transferred. Place of deposit under Section 14 of the National Archives Act, 1986.
Geological Survey of Ireland	No records transferred. Place of deposit under Section 14 of the National Archives Act, 1986.

Records accessioned from Government Departments and Offices of State during 2016

Table 1 Records accessioned from Government Departments during 2016		
ACCESSION NUMBER	DEPARTMENT OF	DESCRIPTION
2016/51	Taoiseach	Central Registry S files relating mainly to 1986.
2016/52	Taoiseach	Northern Ireland Division, relating mainly to 1986.
2014/29	Agriculture, Food and the Marine	Irish Land Commission Fair Rent files for County Cavan c1881–c1920 (Note: the Land Commission is a scheduled body under the National Archives Act, 1986 but has been referenced here as the transfer was prepared by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine).
2004/114	Environment, Community and Local Government	Files of Housing Division of the former Department of Local Government, 1952-1973.
2016/18	Finance	Supply series, files opened between 1950 and 1959.
2016/19	Finance	Supply series, files opened between 1960 and 1969.
2016/20	Finance	Supply series, files opened between 1970 and 1979.
2016/21	Finance	Supply series, files opened between 1980 and c1986.
2016/14	Finance	Finance series, files opened between 1950 and 1959.
2016/15	Finance	Finance series, 1963-c1986.
2016/15	Finance	Finance series, 1920-c1986.
2016/7	Finance	Finance series, files opened between 1979 and 1986.
2016/22	Foreign Affairs and Trade	Central Registry files relating mainly to 1986.
2016/23	Foreign Affairs and Trade	Files of the Secretary's Office relating mainly to 1986.
2008/92	Foreign Affairs and Trade	Files of the Embassy of Ireland to Belgium, 1955-1978.

2016/24	Foreign Affairs and Trade	Files of the Permanent Representative of Ireland to the European Union, 1973-c1986.
2016/25	Foreign Affairs and Trade	Files of the Embassy of Ireland to Germany, 1975-1986.
2016/27	Foreign Affairs and Trade	Files of the Embassy of Ireland to Australia, 1976-1986.
2016/28	Foreign Affairs and Trade	Files of the Consulate General of Ireland, Chicago, 1966-c1986.
2016/29	Foreign Affairs and Trade	Files of the Embassy of Ireland to the Holy See, 1946-1986.
2016/31	Foreign Affairs and Trade	Files of the Embassy of Ireland to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, 1970-1986.
2016/34	Foreign Affairs and Trade	Files of the Permanent Mission of Ireland to the United Nations, New York, c1956-1986.
2016/38	Foreign Affairs and Trade	Files of the Embassy of Ireland to the united States of America, Washington DC, 1959-1986.
2016/36	Foreign Affairs and Trade	Files of the Embassy of Ireland to France, 1974-c1986 .
2015/37	Foreign Affairs and Trade	Files of the Embassy of Ireland to France, 1973-c1986.
2015/30	Foreign Affairs and Trade	Files of the Embassy of Ireland to the Holy See, 1958-1986.
2016/5	Justice and Equality	Files of the Human Resources Division, 1940-1985.
2016/11	Justice and Equality (intermediary: Irish Prison Service)	Files relating to Brendan Behan, c1930s.
2016/45	Justice and Equality	Files of An Garda Síochána Section, Policing Division, 1967-1986.
2013/50	Justice and Equality	Files relating to Irish Nationality and Citizenship Act, 1935.
2016/53	Justice and Equality	Gender Equality Division: registered files, 1983-1986.
2016/58	Justice and Equality	Diversity and Equality Law Division: registered files of the former Department of Labour relating to employment equality issues, 1975-c1986.
2016/47	Social Protection	Files of the Planning Secretariat, 1956-1986.

Table 2
Records accessioned from Scheduled Bodies during 2016

ACCESSION NUMBER	SCHEDULED BODY	DESCRIPTION
2016/3	Companies Registration Office	Railway and canal companies files, 1918-1952.
2016/4	Companies Registration Office	Newspaper companies, 1916-1959.
2013/82	Companies Registration Office	Dissolved companies files, mainly relating to 1986.
2016/54	Office of Secretary General to the President	Registered files, 1938-c1986.
2016/1	Office of the Attorney General	SR (Subject Related) files relating mainly to 1986.
2016/2	Office of the Attorney General	PC (Parliamentary Counsel) files relating mainly to 1986.

Table 3
Records accessioned from Court Offices and Probate Registries during 2016

High Court	No transfers.
Circuit Court	No transfers.
District Court	No transfers.

Records accessioned from other sources including records accessioned through the Business Records Survey, in 2016

ACCESSION NUMBER	SOURCE	DESCRIPTION OF RECORDS
2016/7	Provenance unknown	Photographic album of private origin: mid-19th to early 20th century album used as a scrap book by a member of the Backhouse or Allen family. Contains photographs of individuals, family groups and places (largely in Ireland, Wales and Scotland), lithographs, pressed plants, souvenir items (largely relating to the British royal family), c1850-1910.
2016/43	Joseph Cavanagh	Pamphlet produced by the Ancient Guild of Incorporated Brick and Stone Layers' Trade Union, presented to Joseph Cavanagh of Limerick (participant in 1916 Rising), uncle of the depositor, 1935.
2016/48	Charlie McCarthy	Records of St. Peter's National School, Aungier Street, Dublin 2, 1888-1949.
2016/56	Lavinia Kumar	Irish Housewives Association annual reports and draft constitution, 1948-1949.
2016/59	Richard Stafford	Records of Stafford and Mitchell Limited, Dublin, 1802-1967.

Finding aids published on the National Archives website during 2016

DEPARTMENT/OFFICE	DESCRIPTION	REFERENCE NUMBER
Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs	Placenames Branch registered files.	2015/79
Office of the Attorney General	Parliamentary Counsel files, 1977-1985.	2015/22
Office of the Attorney General (Chief State Solicitor's Office)	Central Criminal Court case on the trial Attorney General versus Henry Gleeson for the murder of Mary McCarthy, 1941-1942.	2015/93
Environment and Local Government	Files relating to administration and functions of Local Government in Donegal, 1909-1986.	2015/49
Finance	Finance Compensation files for County Cavan.	FIN/COMP/2/2
	Finance Compensation files for County Kildare.	FIN/COMP/2/9
	Finance Compensation files for County Offaly.	FIN/COMP/2/19
	Finance Compensation files for County Roscommon.	FIN/COMP/2/20
	Supply files, opened between c1960 and 1969.	2015/55
	Finance files, opened between c1960 and 1969.	2015/53
Foreign Affairs and Trade	Central Registry files, mainly to 1984.	2014/32
	Central Registry files, mainly relating to 1985.	2015/51
	Permanent Representative to the EU (Brussels), 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/25
	Embassy of Ireland to Australia, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/28
	Chicago Consulate, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/29
	Embassy of Ireland to Holy See, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/30

	Embassy of Ireland to the UK, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/32
	Embassy of Ireland to the USSR, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/33
	Permanent Mission to the United Nations, New York, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/35
	San Francisco Consulate, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/38
	Secretary General registered files, c1985.	2015/41
	Embassy of Ireland to Greece, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/43
	Embassy of Ireland to Saudi Arabia, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/45
	Permanent Mission to the United Nations, Geneva, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/58
	Sudan Consulate, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/59
	Embassy of Ireland to Iran, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/60
	Embassy of Ireland to Japan, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/61
	Embassy of Ireland to Luxembourg, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/40
	Lesotho Consulate, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2014/47
	Embassy of Ireland to the USA, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/39
	Embassy of Ireland to India, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2014/58
	Embassy of Ireland to Belgium, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2008/92
	Embassy of Ireland to West Germany, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/26

	Embassy of Ireland to Nigeria, 2015 annual transfer of records.	2015/42
Justice and Equality	Casino and Gaming Control Division, registered files, c1960s-c1980s.	2013/19
	Gender Equality Division, registered files, c 1974-1985.	2015/80
	Diversity and Equality Division, registered files, 1974-1986.	2015/81
	Criminal Law Reform Division, registered files, c 1967-1985.	2015/85
	Civil Law Reform Division, registered files, c1969-1981.	2015/90
Office of Secretary General to the President	Registered files, mainly dating to 1985.	2015/77
Social Welfare	Registered files in the series: IA, Inf, and Plan series, c1941-1986.	2015/52
Taoiseach	Central Registry files, mainly dating to 1985.	2015/88
	Central Registry files, Northern Ireland Division, mainly dating to 1985.	2015/89
	New Ireland Forum.	2004/40
Private accessions	CARE (Campaign for the Care of Deprived Children).	PRIV1266
	Irish Learning Association.	PRIV1229