



Mr. Paul Farrell,
The Phoenix Magazine,
44 Lower Baggot Street,
Dublin 2.

16 February 2004.

Our Ref: FOI/6/2004.

Dear Mr Farrell,

I refer to your Freedom of Information request received in this Department on 19th January 2004 in which you requested:

“copies of any records relating to the decision to maintain the ban on religious advertising on radio and television, following the recent review of the legislation covering the matter.” As discussed the various submissions received as part of the consultation process and the Report on the Public Consultation Process which are available on the Department’s website, are not encompassed by the request.

Relevant records are held on the following files:

S1/ 274-C/03: ‘Review of Ban on Religious Advertising – Public Consultation’

Enclosed for your attention is a schedule of the relevant records held on this file.

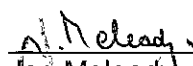
I am prepared to release all records set out in the Schedule with the exception of

Record No 1 which is not relevant to the request and
Record No 3 which is withheld under section 22(1)(a) as it contains legal advice
Record No.4 (para4 –first two lines which is withheld under section 22(1)(a) as it contains legal advice

Enclosed please find copies of the records to which access is being allowed.

I take this opportunity to remind you of your right to appeal as mentioned in the acknowledgement letter. Should you wish to make such an appeal, you should do so in writing, within 4 weeks, to Mr. John Wynne, FOI Manager, Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources, Leeson lane, Dublin 2.

Yours sincerely,



Joe Meleady
Broadcasting Policy Division.