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I, CATHERINE MARTIN, Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 8(1A) of the National Archives Act 1986 (No. 11 of 1986) (as adapted by the Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2020 (S.I. No. 403 of 2020)), being satisfied that –

- (a) the transfer of the records concerned to the National Archives will facilitate the balanced and fair reporting of matters of common interest to the State and other jurisdictions, and
- (b) the arrangements for such transfer are adequate,

following consultation with the Director of the National Archives and with the consent of the Taoiseach, the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform and the Minister for Justice, hereby order as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the National Archives Act 1986 (Section 8(1A)) (Transfer of Departmental Records) (No. 2) Order 2021.

2. In this Order –

“Act of 1986” means the National Archives Act 1986 (No. 11 of 1986);

“Departmental records” has the same meaning as it has in the Act of 1986.

3. The following class of Departmental records which are less than 30 years old but more than 20 years old, namely Anglo Irish records relating to the peace process and Northern Ireland, including the Good Friday Agreement and subsequent agreements, for the period from 1 January 1992 to 31 December 1998, that are held by the Department of Justice, shall be transferred, in accordance with the Act of 1986, to the National Archives.

The Taoiseach consents to the making of the foregoing Order.



GIVEN under the Official Seal of the Taoiseach,  
30 November, 2021.

MICHEÁL MARTIN,  
Taoiseach.

The Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform consents to the making of the foregoing Order.



GIVEN under the Official Seal of the Minister for Public  
Expenditure and Reform,  
2 December, 2021.

MICHAEL MCGRATH,  
Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform.

The Minister for Justice consents to the making of the foregoing Order.



GIVEN under my Official Seal,  
8 December, 2021.

HELEN MCENTEE,  
Minister for Justice.



GIVEN under my Official Seal,  
8 December, 2021.

CATHERINE MARTIN,  
Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and  
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