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**Your Freedom of Information Request: 0899-17**

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 23 September 2017. In your request you said:

*"I would be grateful if you could provide me with:-*

- a) the total cost*
- b) a breakdown if possible of the total cost (e.g. cost of air flight, journey in Government car etc.)*

*of Sir Tim Barrow hand-delivering the Article 50 letter to Mr Donald Tusk on 29th March 2017".*

I can confirm that the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) does hold some information relevant to your request.

The Article 50 letter was taken to Brussels by two civil servants travelling on Eurostar. The costs associated with this travel are as follows:

- 2 x Eurostar Business Premier Tickets @ £491.50 each (including £1.50 booking fee)
- 1 x Change fee @ £2.50      Total: £985.50

There were no other quantifiable costs associated with their travel. Meals were provided on the Eurostar and the two civil servants stayed overnight at the Residence. The letter was then delivered to the President of the European Council by Sir Tim Barrow as part of his duties as UK Permanent Representative to the European Union at no additional cost.

Yours sincerely,

Political Section, UKRep



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