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Dear [REDACTED]

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION – AERIAL IMAGES OF THE BELFAST HILLS IN THE 1970'S

Further to our email sent on 20 November, I can confirm that your request has been considered under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI (A)), and the process is now complete.

You asked for the following:

“I am trying to find aerial images of the hills around Belfast, primarily the fields around the Upper Whiterock Road – above a section of streets known as Dermot Hill – from 1970s. Early 1970's would be ideal. I'd like the photographs because I am conducting some environmental research and I would like to compare how the landscape has changed between the early 1970's and now.”

Please find enclosed imagery of the requested area, two images are from 8 April 1971 and two are from 21 March 1973.

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Yours sincerely

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