ANNEX A

FOI DOF/2026-0028

Request

Re: IRC306697

1. As of today, how many general service G7 vacancies exist across the NICS following the request on 12th December 2025 for departments to declare their G7 vacancies by December 19th, 2025.
2. A breakdown of these vacancies by department and location.
3. How many of these vacancies are to be filled from the current list of successful candidates from IRC306697.

DoF response

I can confirm the department holds some of the information requested.

1. Details of the total vacancies in each department is not held centrally by Department of Finance. Each Civil Service department is responsible for managing its resources – both financial and staff. Each department determines its individual workforce needs and is responsible for ensuring that any additional staffing resources are affordable. When a department identifies a vacancy that needs filled, the request is referred to NICSHR to initiate the process to fill the post. NICSHR liaises with all departments on an ongoing basis to seek to prioritise recruitment activity within allocated financial and staff resources.

   As at the end of December 2025, (the most recent figures available at time of the request), NICSHR was managing a caseload of 67 Grade 7 vacancies which may be filled from competition IRC306697. The breakdown by town and Department is shown in the tables below.

2. The breakdown by town and Department is shown in the tables below.

G7 Competition IRC306697 vacancies by Department

Department	Number of vacancies
DAERA	16
DE	3
DfC	13
DfE	7
DfI	7
DoF	9
DoH	3

Department	Number of vacancies
DOJ	3
TEO	6
Grand Total	**67**

G7 Competition IRC306697 vacancies by town

Town	Number of vacancies
Antrim	2
Ballykelly	5
Bangor	3
Belfast	54
Dungannon	1
Lisburn	1
Portadown	1
Grand Total	**67**

3. As at the date of the request, the number of vacancies to be filled from the current list of successful candidates from competition IRC306697 had not been confirmed.