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**To:** [Conlan, Ciarrai](#)  
**Cc:** [Gaughran, Aine](#); [Harding, Leander](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Urgent BBC Nolan questions for Andrew  
**Date:** 19 December 2016 08:12:26  
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Many thanks

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**From:** Conlan, Ciarrai  
**Sent:** Monday, 19 December 2016 08:07  
**To:** McCormick, Andrew (DFE)  
**Cc:** Gaughran, Aine; Harding, Leander  
**Subject:** RE: Urgent BBC Nolan questions for Andrew

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Andrew

Response has issued.

Kind Regards  
Ciarrai

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**From:** Conlan, Ciarrai  
**Sent:** Monday, 19 December 2016 07:56  
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Andrew

Apologies I meant by later this morning that I would issue as soon as I got into office.

Just arrived at office.

Thanks  
Ciarrai

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---- Original Message ----

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To be clear my formal request is that this issues asap.

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Are you content I issue this line later this morning to Nolan Show and use it for any further queries of a similar nature.

Thanks  
Ciarrai

Department for Economy spokesperson:

"Chris Stewart and Andrew McCormick are responsible to the Minister and responding to his request for an explanation was part of their duty as Civil Servants working (as the relevant legislation says) under the direction and control of Ministers"

Many thanks.

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**From:** Conlan, Ciarrai  
**Sent:** Monday, 19 December 2016 05:58  
**To:** McCormick, Andrew (DFE)  
**Cc:** Harding, Leander; DfE SpAd; Gaughran, Aine; Tweedie, Siobhan; [johnrobinson@dup.org.uk](mailto:johnrobinson@dup.org.uk)  
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Andrew

Please see below questions from the Nolan Show.

In the notes to editors of the press release it said that no further comment would be made by yourself or Chris. Do you wish me to go with this line?

Grateful for advice on a response.

Thanks  
Ciarrai

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----- Original Message -----

**From:** David O'Dornan <[David.ODornan@bbc.co.uk](mailto:David.ODornan@bbc.co.uk)>  
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**Subject:** Urgent BBC Nolan questions for Andrew McCormack

Dr. McCormack

We note your cooperation with DUP minister Simon Hamilton's version of events in a press release issued on 18 December 2016.  
You have clearly been asked questions as to whether you agree with certain events.

We would like to ask the following questions please :

1.

How is your cooperation with the DUP consistent with your earlier statement to the Nolan show that you are unable to answer any questions whatsoever pending official inquiries into the RHI matter ?

2.

Are you prepared to answer questions from Sinn Fein and publicly be a signatory to whether you do - or do not - support their public press releases on RHI ?

3.

Who has approached you from the DUP to support their position ?

We intend to use your answers on the Stephen Nolan radio show.

Thank you,

David O'Dornan, Editor

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