**FROM: PAUL MCKINNEY Ref: I/C 30/24**

**DATE: 17 MAY 2024**

**TO: NI CIVIL SERVICE STAFF ONLY**

**Secondment Opportunity with**

**northern ireland office (nio)**

**Private Secretary to the Permanent Secretary**

1. I have attached an Interchange Hosting Proforma outlining the details of the above opportunity which has been advertised on the Interchange Website. A link to the website can be found on the HR Connect Portal under ‘Secondment Opportunities’.

Eligibility

1. This opportunitity is open to staff at substantive **Grade 7 only** andanalogous grades on level transfer.

Salary

1. **NIO** will pay salary costs and associated expenses. As this is a development opportunity the successful NICS candidate will transfer at their current Grade 7 salary.

Duration

1. It is anticipated the opportunity will last for two years, with the possibility of an extension up to a further third year, subject to agreement of all parties.

Location

1. The successful NI candidate will be based at Erskine House 20-32 Chichester St, Belfast BT1 4GF with regular travel to 1 Horse Guards Road, London, SW1A 2HQ required during the secondment.

Authorisation

1. All applications **MUST** be accompanied with confirmation that your Line Manager **and** Business Area (Grade 5 level) s willing to release you if successful in your application. In the event that this application is successful, the Business Area will be responsible for departmental sign-off on the Secondment Agreement which will be prepared by NICS HR / HRConnect.

How to apply (**this process is for NI Civil Servants only**)

1. Complete the candidate proforma which is available at [www.interchangeni.org.uk](http://www.interchangeni.org.uk) and forward a copy to your Line Manager and Business Area (at least Grade 7 level) to ensure that endorsement for this application is provided prior to the deadline of **Noon on Friday 31 May 2024**.

 Fully endorsed candidate proformas should be submitted by the applicant to HRConnect at secondments@hrconnect@nigov.net or by post to:

Secondments Team

 HRConnect

 PO Box 1089

 Beacon House

 27 Clarendon Road

 Belfast BT1 9EW

 **NICS Outward Secondment Business Case**

* You should also complete the Outward Secondment Business Case at Annex A which should be retained by your business area/branch.
1. Candidates should demonstrate in the proforma how they meet the requirements for the posts. This information may be used for shortlisting purposes.

GDPR

1. Your information will be held and managed in accordance with the Data Protection Act/GDPR policies and procedures, including those relating to retention and disposal will be applied; the information will be used only for the purposes of this secondment, and will only be shared with any relevant third parties only with the explicit permission and assurance of NICSHR.

Further information

10. The successful candidate must have or be willing to obtain security clearance to SC level and If you require any further information about the post, please contact maryjo.mckeever@nio.gov.uk who would be happy to answer any questions or provide further details on the role.

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**ANNEX A**

**Outward Secondment Business Case**

