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1 THE HEARING COMMENCED ON MONDAY,
2 22ND DAY OF JULY, 2024 AS FOLLOWS:

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4 REGISTRAR: This is the second public sitting of the
5 Defence Forces Tribunal and it is for the purpose of 10:03
6 taking applications under section 2(b) of the Tribunals
7 of Inquiry (Evidence) Act 1921. Thank you very much,
8 Ms. Justice Power.

9 SOLE MEMBER: Thank you. Good morning everybody.
10 Mr. Cush. 10:03

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12 SUBMISSION BY DEFENCE FORCES TRIBUNAL:

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14 MR. CUSH: Good morning, Chairperson. My name is
15 Michael Cush and I'm one of the counsel representing 10:03
16 the Tribunal. Chair, we're here today to hear
17 applications for legal representation on behalf of the
18 Defence Forces, the Minister for Defence and various
19 representative organisations and groups.

20 10:03
21 The Tribunal's jurisdiction to make orders granting
22 legal representation is to be found in section 2(2) of
23 the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Act of 1921. The
24 proper exercise of the discretion has been considered
25 by all tribunals of inquiry, most explicitly perhaps by 10:03
26 Mr. Justice Costello in the Whiddy Inquiry and by
27 Mr. Justice Hamilton in the Beef Tribunal, one of whose
28 decisions was the subject of judicial review and,
29 therefore, the proper exercise of the discretion has

1 been the subject of some judicial consideration as
2 well, in that case by Ms. Justice Denham in the case of
3 Boyhan -v- Beef Tribunal.

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5 The exercise of your discretion, Chair, is undoubtedly 10:04
6 founded on principles of natural and constitutional
7 justice. So, Chair, I think the first application is
8 that on behalf of the Defence Forces.

9 SOLE MEMBER: Very good.

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11 SUBMISSION BY THE DEFENCE FORCES: 10:04

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13 MR. MCCANN: Good morning, Chair. My name is Patrick
14 McCann and I appear on behalf of the Defence Forces
15 with Darren Lehane SC; Elizabeth Donovan BL; Caroline 10:04
16 Carney BL. We're instructed by the Chief State
17 Solicitor and Mr. Ronan Cotter is here on behalf of the
18 Chief State Solicitor, Chair.

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20 So, Chair, as we set out in a letter dated 15th July 10:05
21 2024 to the Tribunal, pursuant to paragraph 3 of the
22 Procedures of the Tribunal, the Defence Forces wish to
23 formally apply for representation on a full basis for
24 the entirety of its Terms of Reference. We set out in
25 that letter, Judge, or, Chair, how the Defence Forces' 10:05
26 interests, including its reputation and those of its
27 members and former members, are engaged by each and all
28 of the Tribunal's Terms of Reference and will need to
29 be represented throughout the entire period of the

1 Tribunal's existence. That's my application, Chair.
2 SOLE MEMBER: Very good, Mr. McCann, thank you. The
3 Tribunal will consider the applications that are made.
4 It would certainly like to hear them today and will
5 consider the application and will give a ruling very, 10:05
6 very shortly.
7 MR. MCCANN: Thank you very much, Chair.
8 REGISTRAR: Could I just remind parties for the purpose
9 of the spillover room that the microphones should be
10 switched on and brought as close as possible to your 10:05
11 mouth, thanks indeed. The next application is on
12 behalf of the Minister for Defence, I believe.
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14 SUBMISSION BY THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE:
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16 MR. MCGUINNESS: Good morning, Judge. 10:06
17 SOLE MEMBER: Good morning, Mr. McGuinness.
18 MR. MCGUINNESS: My name is Diarmuid McGuinness SC and
19 I am here today with Ms. Sinéad McGrath SC, Ms. Ruth
20 Mylotte BL and Mr. Karl Shirran BL who is also a member 10:06
21 of the legal team. We are instructed on behalf of the
22 Minister by Ms. Sarah Maguire of the Office of the
23 Chief State Solicitor.
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25 In accordance with paragraph 3 of the Tribunal's 10:06
26 Memorandum of Procedures, the Minister has applied in
27 writing to the Tribunal. I don't intend to read the
28 substance of it, but the Tribunal, in my submission,
29 ought to grant the Minister an order in respect of full

1 representation at the Tribunal for the duration of the
2 Tribunal, including such private sittings as may be
3 scheduled, if appropriate, and also for the purpose of
4 delivering submissions in relation to all or any issue
5 as may be appropriate. So it's an application, 10:07
6 obviously, to appear and be present and exercise the
7 normal rights considered appropriate for every party
8 who's been given full representation.

9 SOLE MEMBER: Very good.

10 MR. MCGUINNESS: I should just state, Judge, also that 10:07
11 the practice obviously in relation to grants of
12 representation relating to departments of State or
13 government of State involves also representation for
14 former holders of the office and current and former
15 officials, if necessary, and if sought by them. So 10:07
16 I think, Judge, I'll leave it at that and rest upon the
17 remainder of my written submission.

18 SOLE MEMBER: Thank you very much. We have received
19 your written submissions and we have considered them,
20 but, as I said, I'll give a formal ruling very shortly. 10:07
21 Thank you, Mr. McGuinness.

22 REGISTRAR: The next party listed to make such an
23 application this morning is PDFORRA.

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25 SUBMISSION BY PDFORRA: 10:07
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27 MR. DARCY: Good morning, Chair, Kevin D'Arcy,
28 Barrister, representing PDFORRA, the representative
29 body on behalf of non-commissioned officers and

1 privates, essentially representing 90-95% of the
2 enlisted personnel. Again you have the detailed
3 submission document which was submitted on behalf of
4 PDFORRA indicating their involvement as the
5 representative body on behalf of effectively the 10:08
6 entirety of the enlisted personnel going back from
7 approximately 1990. In that regard they are - and
8 I don't intend to detail the entire document - but they
9 are the appropriate body to represent and be a voice
10 for the personnel and would also have the corporate 10:08
11 knowledge, for want of a better term, in terms of
12 representing those people throughout the matters which
13 are germane and central to the Terms of Reference in
14 terms of bullying, harassment, dispute resolution, the
15 terms and conditions of employment during that period. 10:08

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17 On that basis we're looking and seeking, instructed by
18 O'Regan Little Solicitors, for full representation for
19 the entirety of the duration of the Tribunal. It would
20 seem to be covered by the entirety of the Terms of 10:09
21 Reference and we're seeking full representation on that
22 basis for Senior and Junior Counsel.

23 SOLE MEMBER: Thank you very much, Mr. D'Arcy.

24 REGISTRAR: The next party then is the women of Honour?

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26 SUBMISSION BY WOMEN OF HONOUR:

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28 MR. BRADLEY: Good morning, Chairperson. My name is
29 Raymond Bradley SC and solicitor, I appear on behalf of

1 Women of Honour. Women of Honour are seeking full
2 representation for the entire duration of the Tribunal.
3 The application is framed in the context of the letter
4 received from the Tribunal, which is much appreciated.

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6 By way of background, Women of Honour have four
7 individuals who are the individuals who very much are
8 to the forefront in terms of the disclosure of the
9 issues the subject matter of this Inquiry. They are
10 seeking representation in a representative capacity
11 rather than an individual capacity, together with a
12 corporate entity, Women of Honour CLG, which was
13 established for the purposes of the duration of this
14 Inquiry.

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16 The Tribunal have indicated that there is a requirement
17 to disclose membership. It should be noted that, in
18 the context of Women of Honour, they are an alliance of
19 people with particular interests associated with the
20 Terms of Reference of this Inquiry. In that regard
21 Women of Honour are not a non-government organisation.
22 They receive no State subvention. They don't have
23 membership, but they have personnel, both serving and
24 retired, who look to Women of Honour for the purposes
25 of achieving the advancement of their issues that
26 resulted in the Terms of Reference for this Inquiry.

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28 There are other members of Women of Honour who are
29 serving who are at the front of the grouping concerned

1 but for confidentiality reasons and obvious reasons
2 associated with their circumstances, have not been to
3 the forefront of the issues concerned. So they are
4 unique in that respect, they are a different grouping.

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6 In terms of their application for representation, it
7 should be noted that in Dáil Éireann, in the context of
8 the establishment of this Inquiry, certain comments
9 were made in terms of the role of women of Honour and,
10 in that regard, the Minister for Defence indicated:

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12 "I want to take a moment to pay tribute to Women of
13 Honour. At a time when it was not easy to do so, they
14 stood up and told the country what happened to them.
15 The clarity and power of their account had a catalytic
16 effect setting in motion a journey of accountability
17 that has brought us to this point. The personal
18 courage, dignity and resilience shown in their journey
19 to this point by those who came forward and shared
20 their often horrific personal experiences has made a
21 deep and lasting impression upon me."

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23 Also the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence indicated
24 that:

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26 "Since then I have continued to engage with the
27 stakeholder groups and individuals involved, including
28 up to eight meetings with Women of Honour, and working
29 closely with the Attorney General. On foot of the

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1 feedback we have received, the terms of reference have
2 been amended and expanded."

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4 Accordingly I would submit, Chairperson, that women of
5 Honour have been instrumental, both in terms of 10:12
6 bringing forward the issues that require to be
7 considered for the purpose of establishment of both the
8 IRG and indeed this Tribunal itself. Furthermore,
9 I submit that women of Honour have been acknowledged on
10 the floor of Dáil Éireann as being a major contributory 10:12
11 to the process that has resulted in your Terms of
12 Reference that now are the blueprint and set out the
13 absolute requirements of the Tribunal pertaining to its
14 investigation.

15 10:12
16 In addition, women of Honour were part of the initial
17 RTE investigative disclosure and that resulted in
18 serious allegations of sexual violence and harassment
19 in the Defence Forces. At that time that particular
20 programme was instrumental in bringing forward the 10:13
21 cultural issues that existed in the context of the
22 Defence Forces concerned. Women of Honour sought that
23 a statutory inquiry into the allegations brought to
24 light would be established. In response the Government
25 set up a non-statutory Independent Review Group which 10:13
26 reported and indeed recommended that such a statutory
27 investigation should occur.

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29 Undoubtedly it is submitted that without the work of

1 our clients, women of Honour, the allegations that have
2 been brought to light would never have so materialised.
3 Although the Terms of Reference for this Tribunal do
4 not explicitly recognise women of Honour, it is a
5 scenario where their involvement has been recognised, 10:13
6 indeed complimented on the floor of Dáil Éireann, in
7 the context of the manner in which it set up this
8 Tribunal.

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10 In addition it was recognised that, but for the work of 10:13
11 women of Honour, the issues that occurred to Defence
12 Forces personnel would never have had the chance to be
13 uncovered or told or investigated. Indeed it was
14 acknowledged in Dáil Éireann that working as part of
15 that alliance, that it was at the instigation of women 10:14
16 of Honour that the issue of exposure of dangerous
17 chemicals was so highlighted for subsequent inclusion
18 in the final draft of the Terms of Reference.

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20 Accordingly, women of Honour have been recognised by 10:14
21 Dáil Éireann, and indeed by the various media and
22 political comments, relating to the events the subject
23 matter of the Terms of Reference as being instigators
24 in the requirement for this investigation to occur on a
25 statutory and formal basis. I would submit that to 10:14
26 have a tribunal of inquiry into the issues the subject
27 matter of the Terms of Reference without the
28 involvement of women of Honour would be equivalent to
29 having Hamlet without the Prince.

1 It is submitted that Women of Honour are entitled to be
2 granted full representation at a tribunal of inquiry on
3 the basis that their presence will assist in terms of
4 disclosure of information arising from the alliances
5 that have occurred amongst the various other groupings 10:14
6 associated with the events the subject matter of your
7 Terms of Reference.

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9 The right to representation has been referred to by
10 Mr. Cush. In that regard he referred to section 2(b) 10:15
11 of the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Act 1921 where
12 any tribunal to which the aforementioned legislation
13 applies:

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15 "Shall have the power to authorise representation 10:15
16 before them of any person appearing to them to be
17 interested to be by counsel or solicitor or otherwise,
18 or to refuse to allow such representation."

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20 As you were advised, that is a statutory discretionary 10:15
21 power. In the context, it is accepted practice that,
22 in respect of modern tribunals of inquiry, that a
23 tribunal must be persuaded that the party applying has
24 a manifest interest in the inquiry, either as a party
25 or someone who will be at hazard or prejudicially 10:15
26 affected by the evidence or by any finding or comment
27 of the report of the inquiry.

28
29 It is accepted that those persons whose right to

1 reputation may be threatened by such proceedings of a
2 tribunal of inquiry are entitled to seek legal
3 representation before such a tribunal of inquiry.
4 Considering the nature of the allegations wholly to be
5 advanced within the confines of the Terms of Reference, 10:16
6 it is submitted that this is one of the very rare
7 occasions where the reputations of complainants are
8 also at issue as those reputations will inevitably be
9 placed under scrutiny.

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11 Also, traditionally, the position in respect of
12 victim-type group representation at tribunals of
13 inquiry is somewhat different. This Tribunal of
14 Inquiry has been constituted to investigate particular
15 circumstances set out in its Terms of Reference which 10:16
16 relate to various forms of abuse. Undoubtedly there is
17 an identifiable group of victims where those victims
18 can seek legal representation.

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20 In previous similar type tribunals of inquiry in this 10:16
21 jurisdiction, such as the Whiddy Inquiry, the Stardust
22 Inquiry, the Finlay Inquiry, the Lindsay Inquiry, the
23 Morris Tribunal into Garda Misconduct, victims have
24 been granted legal representation. In such tribunals
25 the victims are, it is accepted, unlikely to have their 10:17
26 reputation subjected to the same level of potential
27 criticism where they are being represented. It is
28 usually the fact that they have been so strongly and
29 uniquely affected by the alleged or suspected

1 misconduct or maladministration by the State and they
2 are, therefore, entitled solely as interested parties
3 to participate through legal representation in such a
4 tribunal of inquiry.

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6 Such an entitlement in those tribunals of inquiry
7 recognise the strength of public opinion that
8 necessitated the establishment of those tribunals of
9 inquiry concerned arising out of the events set out in
10 the various Terms of Reference that mandated
11 representation.

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13 In short, Women of Honour are an identifiable group,
14 although not conventionally formed, that can point to
15 specific factors which demonstrate that it or its
16 associates have been affected more seriously than is
17 the situation for many other members of the general
18 public.

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20 Accordingly it is submitted that as a matter of law it
21 is appropriate, like in other victim-type tribunals of
22 inquiry which relate to misappropriation of quality of
23 life rather than misappropriation of financial funds,
24 that such a victim-type group like Women of Honour
25 should be granted full representation.

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27 In addition, a further issue in the context of this
28 Inquiry is that there are inevitably at risk
29 reputational issues. Those reputational issues go to

1 the right to good name, both of complainants and
2 respondents, which further necessitates in the context
3 of what I would term the pooled representative nature
4 of Women of Honour that they should be granted
5 appropriate and, in that regard, full representation. 10:19

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7 Accordingly, considering the genesis for this Tribunal
8 of Inquiry originated with Women of Honour, the lengthy
9 involvement of that organisation in terms of seeking
10 the Tribunal of Inquiry itself and indeed the undoubted 10:19
11 knowledge that our clients possess associated with the
12 events the subject matter of the tribunal work
13 necessitates, it is submitted, nothing less than full
14 representation.

15 10:19
16 Accordingly, the reputations, legal rights and
17 interests of Women of Honour, its associates and the
18 alliances with whom they work to achieve the
19 advancement of the issues the subject matter of these
20 Terms of Reference are issues, it is submitted, that go 10:19
21 to the very heart of this tribunal process and have
22 been explicitly recognised by Dáil Éireann itself in
23 the manner in which exchanges have occurred in the
24 formulation of the Terms of Reference.

25 10:20
26 Therefore, it is submitted that Women of Honour are an
27 entity, although unusually formulated in the context of
28 its historical establishment, that merits full
29 representation.

1 SOLE MEMBER: Thank you, Mr. Bradley.

2 REGISTRAR: The next party then is the Defence Forces
3 Justice Alliance. Thank you.

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5 SUBMISSION BY THE DEFENCE FORCES JUSTICE ALLIANCE: 10:20

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7 MR. DONOHOE: Good morning, Madam Chair, and, if you'll
8 just give me a little latitude at the start, there is a
9 full little issues I'd like to -- historical issues I'd
10 like to address. 10:20

11 SOLE MEMBER: And you are Mr.?

12 MR. DONOHOE: Niall Donohoe.

13 SOLE MEMBER: Thank you, Mr. Donohoe.

14 MR. DONOHOE: The Defence Forces Justice Alliance would
15 like to congratulate Madam Chair on her appointment to 10:20
16 this very important role.

17 SOLE MEMBER: Thank you.

18 MR. DONOHOE: An appointment which obviously
19 followed years of public, esteemed public service, and
20 we recognise that. I would also like to commend you on 10:21
21 accepting this unique challenge and we understand how
22 difficult it may be. We would like to convey our best
23 wishes to you and to all your staff in the job that's
24 ahead of you. We would like to assure you of our
25 commitment to join you and your team and everybody else 10:21
26 here in the pursuit of the truth.

27 SOLE MEMBER: Thank you.

28 MR. DONOHOE: And the whole truth. Just historically
29 there is a few little things and people we would like

1 to acknowledge. About two kilometres from here there
2 was a concert where our friend Bruce was singing about
3 "You can't light a fire without a spark". Katie Hannon
4 produced the spark, it was on 23rd October '21 and it
5 was her seminal documentary Women of Honour. And, of 10:22
6 course, there wouldn't be any fire without the Women of
7 Honour and they, with their bravery, honesty and
8 commitment, where they unveiled the difficulties and
9 the travails and the horrors of what happened them in
10 the public domain and provided confidence and 10:22
11 encouragement for men and women to come forward. So
12 I would like to acknowledge, that I don't believe there
13 would be any tribunal without the spark of Katie Hannon
14 and tending and minding of the fire by Women of Honour.

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16 Moving on then to the Defence Forces Justice -- or,
17 sorry.

18 SOLE MEMBER: The Justice Alliance?

19 MR. DONOHOE: No, no, sorry, moving on to Judge Bronagh
20 O'Hanlon and her independent review. There wouldn't be 10:22
21 any tribunal without the independent review either
22 because it was from there that a public inquiry was
23 first recommended. So we have to pay tribute to all
24 those who gave their evidence to that tribunal, or to
25 that review, sorry, and in particular to the Canary 10:23
26 Movement, a previous manifestation of what the Defence
27 Forces Justice Alliance is now. In particular, and
28 I witnessed this personally, the commitment and work
29 from Judge Bronagh O'Hanlon and her staff was beyond

1 the call and I would like to put that on record. Thank
2 you.

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4 In respect of then of applications for the business of
5 today and applications for group legal representation, 10:23
6 there is a suite of applications coming up which are
7 associated with the Defence Forces Justice Alliance,
8 and I am making the first one. We submitted a
9 detailed --

10 SOLE MEMBER: You have. 10:23

11 MR. DONOHOE: -- written submission to you.

12 SOLE MEMBER: Yes.

13 MR. DONOHOE: I want to bring to your understanding
14 that this application that I am putting forward is for
15 the non-aligned members of the Justice Alliance, and 10:24
16 I hope you understand that concept. Within our
17 submission we essentially divided our argument into
18 constitutional arguments, which I am sure hopefully
19 were made clear enough.

20 SOLE MEMBER: You can take it I have read all of the 10:24
21 submissions.

22 MR. DONOHOE: Yes, and group representations in respect
23 of assisting the Tribunal, naturally enough that's what
24 we are here to do; and then, finally, that matter in
25 relation to the adequacy of the Tribunal in meeting our 10:24
26 needs and hopefully we have outlined that. Now they
27 are all similar arguments for all suites of submissions
28 from the core groups and the communities that make up
29 the Defence Forces Justice Alliance.

1 In respect of how things will go on from here, other
2 members for the other submissions will provide
3 historical background, but if there is any questions or
4 issues in relation to the legal argument, then that's
5 been submitted previously.

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7 One thing that I would like to add, just from a
8 practical point of view and a real point of view,
9 there's no question that everybody submitting requires
10 to be legally screened, their submissions require to be 10:25
11 legally screened, in my humble view, uneducated view,
12 and that they also need to be referenced to the Terms
13 of Reference. And this is what you asked for in your
14 Opening Statement, comprehensive statements that are
15 relevant. And in order to achieve that, to assist the 10:25
16 speedily workings of the Tribunal, we feel there has to
17 be a legal screen at the earliest stage possible.

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19 But there is one point I would like to make. In
20 respect of the Terms of Reference and in respect of 10:25
21 your Opening Statement, screening has been or sampling
22 has been referred to. Clearly it's going to more than
23 likely pop up its head at some stage in this whole
24 process. I believe if sampling is to be done, it has
25 to be done on proper data. If sampling is to be done 10:26
26 which excludes people, then they have to have the
27 feeling that they had a meaningful and proper
28 engagement and that the Tribunal itself identified it
29 from the start and facilitated and extended the hand of

1 facilitation to them. That will be very significant as
2 we move on, I believe.

3 SOLE MEMBER: Could I ask you to identify the name of
4 the solicitor who would represent your group,
5 Mr. Donohoe, if the Tribunal were minded to grant
6 representation. 10:26

7 MR. DONOHOE: Yes. I was asked about this on Friday
8 and early this morning I submitted an email with that
9 information.

10 SOLE MEMBER: So you have a solicitor present? 10:26

11 MR. DONOHOE: We're currently negotiating with three
12 solicitor firms: So Coleman Legal LLP, John V. Geary
13 Solicitors and Michael Finucane Solicitors.

14 SOLE MEMBER: And one of those will represent your
15 group? 10:27

16 MR. DONOHOE: No, no, all three will represent our
17 group. Sorry, specifically -- sorry, I'm talking about
18 the overall alliance. No, one of those will represent
19 the non-aligned members of the Alliance.

20 SOLE MEMBER: Very good. 10:27

21 MR. DONOHOE: But in the context of the overall
22 Alliance, I can see it being subdivided. There is six
23 overall applications here.

24 SOLE MEMBER: I appreciate that.

25 MR. DONOHOE: And, depending on the numbers, it will be
26 subdivided in order to apportion the work to get this
27 done streamlined and in to the Tribunal as quickly as
28 possible. 10:27

29 SOLE MEMBER: That makes sense. I see also in your

1 application you did raise the question of having an
2 extension of the deadline or the date by which
3 submissions should be lodged, would you like to make
4 that application.

5 MR. DONOHOE: Yes, and I'll make it on behalf of all, 10:27
6 if that's...

7 SOLE MEMBER: Yes, you can do it in one go. That's
8 very helpful, thank you.

9 MR. DONOHOE: Yes. So practically, from a practical
10 point of view and a calendar point of view - and I am 10:27
11 sure it was by unfortunate coincidence - the work that
12 has to be done to prepare these submissions landed
13 right in the middle of the high holiday season and that
14 caused serious concern I can assure you and practical
15 inconvenience. It also has meaningful and real 10:28
16 inconvenience in relation to us arriving here with no
17 representation and then having to put in place a
18 sizeable body of representation within the timeframe
19 when most self-respecting legal people are away
20 benefitting from sun. 10:28

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22 So in that regard we said, because of the body of work
23 and the volume of what we're putting in and what has to
24 be achieved, that there needs to be a reasonable
25 accommodation or extension to accommodate the 10:28
26 practicality of where we find ourselves.

27 SOLE MEMBER: Very good. Thank you very much indeed,
28 Mr. Donohoe.

29 MR. DONOHOE: Thank you.

1 REGI STRAR: The next party is the 34th Platoon Army
2 Apprentice School Justice Group. Thank you.

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4 SUBMISSION BY THE 34TH PLATOON ARMY APPRENTICE SCHOOL
5 JUSTICE GROUP: 10:28

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7 MR. HUTCHINSON: Chair, my name is Ian Hutchinson and
8 beside me is Brian Murphy and we are members of the
9 34th Justice Group. We're ex-members of the 34th
10 Platoon from the Army Apprentice School in Naas. We 10:29
11 were a platoon of 56 teenagers aged between 16 and 18
12 years of age. We joined back in 1989.

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14 During our time in the Apprentice School we were
15 treated with contempt by the officer in charge of the 10:29
16 platoon and other officers and NCOs while we were there
17 for the three years. We want to tell our story about
18 what happened to our members of our platoon, and we
19 want to speak for those who can't as they are no longer
20 with us. Our story is one of incidents of bullying, 10:29
21 harassment, psychological torture and cases of physical
22 assault we experienced as teenagers over the three
23 years.

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25 This has left us with scars. Some of us can cope with 10:29
26 this while others can't. After one horrendous
27 experience where a young man was singled out verbally
28 and psychologically degraded with taunts and insults
29 directed at him and his family, he died two days later

1 of suicide, of gunshot wounds. We have a story of a
2 member who was physically kicked while doing physical
3 exercise.

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5 In all three members of the 34th Platoon committed 10:30
6 suicide within ten years of their time in Naas. We
7 were legally classed as children. We were surrounded
8 by adults who did not intervene in any of the incidents
9 that were happening. They seemed to be conditioned to
10 see this as standard normal army behaviour. We were 10:30
11 unaware of any complaints mechanism or processes and,
12 even if we were, we probably would have been too afraid
13 to follow them.

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15 Basically we had no one to really look after our 10:30
16 interests as legally children. There was warnings
17 signs of this inappropriate behaviour and they were
18 ignored. We have a case of a letter sent by a parent
19 to the commanding officer and that was ignored. This
20 is just one example that we have. These events 10:31
21 impacted our lives then and they continue to do so now.

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23 So we're seeking full representation as we consider
24 these issues to be sensitive and complex. We're just
25 looking for our story to be dealt with comprehensively 10:31
26 and in a professional manner.

27 SOLE MEMBER: Thank you very much, Mr. Hutchinson.

28 MR. HUTCHINSON: Thank you.

29 REGISTRAR: The next party then is the Air Corps

1 Chemical Abuse Survivors. Thank you.

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3 SUBMISSION BY THE AIR CORPS CHEMICAL ABUSE SURVIVORS:

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5 MR. TOBIN: Hello. My name is Gavin Tobin, I'm the 10:31
6 spokesperson for the Air Corps Chemical Abuse
7 Survivors. Like the Women of Honour we're not a very
8 formal grouping, we don't have membership, we are not
9 an NGO. It was formed by three whistleblowers in 2015
10 when we realised that chemical exposures and lack of 10:32
11 health and safety that we believe made us sick in the
12 90s was an ongoing thing. So when we discovered it was
13 ongoing we acted to stop it by protected disclosures to
14 the Health and Safety Authority and by protected
15 disclosures to the Minister. 10:32

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17 we would like to thank the Women of Honour for getting
18 the Chemical Terms of Reference added. We were
19 excluded from the negotiations of the Terms of
20 Reference and without the Women of Honour we would have 10:32
21 been ignored as we have been since we were established.

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23 we're looking for partial representation because we are
24 part of the Defence Forces Justice Alliance who is
25 looking for full representation. That's all we have to 10:32
26 say at this minute.

27 SOLE MEMBER: That's very good, Mr. Tobin, thank you
28 very much.

29 MR. TOBIN: Thank you.

1 REGI STRAR: The next party then is the DF
2 whistleblowers Protected Disclosure Justice Group.

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4 SUBMISSION BY THE DF WHI STLEBLOWERS PROTECTED
5 DISCLOSURE JUSTICE GROUP: 10:33

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7 MR. NOLAN: Good morning, Judge, my name is Alan Nolan.
8 SOLE MEMBER: Hello, Mr. Nolan.

9 MR. NOLAN: Thank you. I'm a former member of the
10 Defence Forces and I'm also a member of the Defence 10:33
11 Forces Justice Alliance and the branch-off from that is
12 the whistleblowers group, if you like.

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14 The Protected Disclosures Group request full or
15 partial, depending on your decision on what may be best 10:33
16 suited. We've already given our eight-page submission
17 on the merits of it that you have acknowledged and I'll
18 just briefly go through a one-page summary here of what
19 it amounts to in reality.

20 10:33

21 As listed, the Terms of Reference for the Tribunal
22 includes protected disclosures, both 2014 and amended
23 '22. In addition, Statutory Instrument No. 464/2015 in
24 relation to representation and supports any worker
25 making a protected disclosure or any worker against 10:34
26 whom an allegation has been made must have their
27 constitutional right to natural justice and fair
28 procedures upheld in accordance with all relevant
29 employment legislation. In this regard appropriate

1 representation, if requested, should be accommodated,
2 and, as I say, that's Statutory Instrument 464/2015.

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4 Sticking again to extracts directly from the
5 legislation, there is a paragraph here that says: 10:34

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7 "The worker reasonably believes the head of the public
8 body concerned is complicit in the relevant wrongdoing
9 concerned."

10 10:34
11 It is very interesting that this is an acknowledgment
12 that everybody should be accountable right up to the
13 top of public bodies. But unfortunately our experience
14 with the 16 whistleblowers that are intending to
15 present evidence, that is a no-go in this country where 10:34
16 there is no accountability at the highest levels,
17 unfortunately.

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19 When you look at the Department of Expenditure and
20 Reform who write the legislation for protected 10:35
21 disclosures, thereafter their responsibility finishes.
22 So they have no oversight or responsibility with regard
23 to how it is implemented. Following on from that, the
24 head of each public body is responsible for the
25 handling of protected disclosures in their 10:35
26 organisation. So when you consider the concept that a
27 head of public body can be held to account according to
28 the legislation of protected disclosures, it is ironic
29 that they end up investigating themselves.

1 The Office of the Protected Disclosures Commissioner
2 may task the Defence Forces or Department of Defence to
3 investigate itself. So you have situations where it is
4 a mission impossible with regard to getting any form of
5 natural justice or fair procedures.

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7 Our experiences unfortunately to date have been that
8 the Defence Forces and Department of Defence have
9 deliberately hindered protected
10 disclosures/whistleblowers so no reports of wrongdoing
11 can succeed. The actions and omissions of the
12 Minister, the Defence Forces and Department of Defence
13 are causing huge psychological harm to Defence Forces
14 whistleblowers. It is because we got no assistance
15 that we now appeal to undo that injustice and also,
16 Judge, we would respectfully request if you could
17 consider an extension for submissions. Thank you.

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18 SOLE MEMBER: Very good. Thank you, Mr. Nolan. No. 9.
19 REGISTRAR: The Jadotville Justice Community, thank
20 you.

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22 SUBMISSION BY THE JADOTVILLE JUSTICE COMMUNITY:

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24 CMDT. QUINLAN: Good morning, Chairperson. My name is
25 Commandant Leo Quinlan, retired. I'm here on behalf of
26 the Jadotville Justice Community. We seek legal
27 representation in the preparation of submissions. At
28 the moment we have 105 submissions ready to go, with
29 another 45 considering them.

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1 We require this representation in the preparation of
2 the submissions. I would like to point out that the
3 people that will be making these submissions are here
4 in Ireland, the United Kingdom, the United States,
5 Australia and New Zealand. So how to get them in time 10:37
6 et cetera, we probably will require an extension of
7 time to do this.

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9 Jadotville is probably the oldest problem sitting in
10 front of you, it goes back to 1961. I'm not going to 10:37
11 go into the whole story of Jadotville, it is fairly
12 well known. But there were 15 and 16-year-old boys
13 fighting in that battle, two 15 year olds, twelve 16
14 year olds. Some of these men committed suicide years
15 afterwards. One man blew his head off with a shotgun 10:37
16 in Australia, another man two years after Jadotville,
17 18 years of age, killed himself in London.

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19 However, in the aftermath of Jadotville, when they came
20 back in '61, it was ignored. Everything was ignored, 10:37
21 no medals, no nothing. It lay there with moral
22 injuries, psychological harm and abuse setting in to
23 families. Families were badly damaged by it. I know
24 families that are split up, they don't talk to each
25 other, children my age, and I'm 80 years old, and 10:37
26 children my age - if you want to call us children -
27 they haven't talked to each other for 50 years.

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29 I meet them, I meet them regularly so I know the ins

1 and outs of the stories, rather horrific stories. The
2 effects of moral injury came into play big time and
3 over the years six children in one family, the youngest
4 is now in his 50s, all six of them tried to commit
5 suicide and they will be making submissions on that 10:38
6 behalf, one of them five/six times. He is currently at
7 the age of 53 in rehab here in Ireland, having been
8 brought home from the United States on a stretcher.

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10 Anyway, it wasn't until 1996 that the people of 10:38
11 Jadotville started making complaints and making
12 representations to the powers that be. One captain
13 from Jadotville wrote letters to four different chiefs
14 of staff, didn't even get an answer. It was
15 eight years after his first letter that, due to 10:38
16 political pressure, that the army started taking a bit
17 of notice. Then some recognition came generally.

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19 Just to give you an idea of the attitude compared to
20 the Jadotville people. My dad was a guy in charge of 10:39
21 Jadotville, the Battle of Jadotville. When a plaque
22 was erected in Athlone some years back, the Chief of
23 Staff of the army, the Deputy Chief of Staff of the
24 army and another general in the army were my
25 classmates. I didn't, not my brother who is serving in 10:39
26 the army and his two sons serving in the army, not one
27 of us got an invitation to this event. It just shows
28 the mind-set that existed, the lack of interest
29 basically, I think, in this case.

1 The first recognition came in about 2006, a little bit
2 more in 2009, but in 2015 it started getting serious to
3 the effect that I was making representation for medals
4 that were recommended but never awarded. Ignored. It
5 went on to 2021 when there was an Independent Review 10:39
6 Group on Jadotville which unfortunately just added to
7 the psychological harm, abuse and the moral injury. It
8 just exac -- well it just added to it, put it that way.
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10 In 2022 there was an IRG, an Independent Review Group 10:40
11 on the Defence Forces which continued to add to the
12 psychological harm and abuse. In 2022/2024 I had two
13 meetings with different Ministers for Defence. They
14 said, yes, we'll be back to you in a week or two, I'm
15 still waiting, two years in one case, seven months in 10:40
16 another case.
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18 So we have a lot to say. And, as I said, we have 105
19 submissions ready, they were given last week, the
20 indication of these 105 and another 45 and I know that 10:40
21 I can double that number if I have to. Thank you very
22 much.

23 SOLE MEMBER: Thank you very much, Cmdt. Quinlan.

24 REGISTRAR: The Defence Forces Lariam Justice Group,
25 thank you. 10:40
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27 SUBMISSION BY THE DEFENCE FORCES LARIAM JUSTICE GROUP:
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29 MR. DONOHOE: So, unfortunately, Madam Chair, I'm back

1 again. I would much rather be where the administrators
2 of the Defence Forces Lariam Justice Group are. One of
3 them is on holidays in Puerto Rico and the other is on
4 holidays in Spain.

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6 So I'll give a short summary short of where the Defence
7 Forces Lariam Justice Group is. They also made a
8 detailed submission to you.

9 SOLE MEMBER: I've read that.

10 MR. DONOHOE: You have been made aware of the numbers
11 involved.

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13 I suppose they would like me to particularly point out
14 that their engagement with the Tribunal will be in
15 respect of the psychological harm and abuse that they
16 encountered when they complained or couldn't complain
17 because of the culture within the organisation rather
18 than about the initial and the legal issue that is the
19 actual prescribing of it. So they will be focussing
20 outside in the main of the legal issues that we all
21 know are in court currently and focussing on the lived
22 experience of members, retired and otherwise, when they
23 tried to highlight what they believed was serious
24 matters that needed professional and appropriate
25 addressing.

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27 Now it is a suite, so the Lariam Justice Group and
28 their associated issues is a suite of three issues that
29 we have indicated require prioritisation. Jadotville

1 would be the other one. The three in a suite for
2 medical issues are post-traumatic stress disorder,
3 which we didn't put in and does exist as a meaningful
4 group within the Justice Alliance but we didn't put it
5 forward for representation but we do want to identify 10:42
6 it as an issue that does need prioritising from a
7 medical point of view, and Jadotville needs
8 prioritising from an age profile point of view,
9 obviously.

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11 Then, in summary, starting with No. 4, there will be 10:42
12 full representation requested there. This is on the
13 list of the six. No. 5, Naas, partial. I know they
14 mention full, but partial because of the potential for
15 issues to be directly related to their own issues and 10:43
16 the top cover that they will get from the Justice
17 Alliance anyway.

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19 whistleblowers, full, because of the volume of the
20 submissions and the complexity and the sensitivity of 10:43
21 the evidence that's going in there; Jadotville Justice
22 Community, partial, and Lariam partial.

23 SOLE MEMBER: Very good. Thank you indeed,
24 Mr. Donohoe. I think we have one final application on
25 the list. 10:43

26 REGISTRAR: Finally the Victims of the Complaints
27 Processes' Group. Thank you.

1 SUBMISSION BY THE VICTIMS OF THE COMPLAINTS PROCESSES'
2 GROUP:

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4 MR. CULLEN: Judge, my name is Gerard Cullen and
5 I represent currently three members, two of whom have 10:43
6 been forced out of the army for their own safety. One
7 of them is still a serving member and I am concerned
8 about the ongoing detriment that is being applied to
9 him. I don't want to go into great detail because of
10 the constitutional rights of both the -- well the 10:44
11 respondents and others.

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13 But I can say that when two of them, for example, just
14 to give two. I didn't receive an invitation to come
15 here but I thank you for your consideration in allowing 10:44
16 this representation -- this response. I did send a
17 letter on Friday and again yesterday in response to a
18 letter of 19th July from the Tribunal solicitor.

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20 We haven't, we didn't know about the need for 10:44
21 submissions or the definition of what an identifiable
22 group might be or membership, but I can confirm that
23 there isn't a formal group in this sense. In a sense
24 it's slightly fluid, Judge, because there's one or two
25 who are not quite -- they may become involved if they 10:45
26 have rational confidence that they won't be exposed to
27 reprisal, and I know you have sought undertakings in
28 that respect from the Minister for Defence and from the
29 Defence Forces. I don't know, given the experience of

1 the third member of this group, who is out ill, that
2 any persons, serving members on the outside, might want
3 to join us.

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5 In respect of two matters perhaps, two rather salient 10:45
6 matters. Two of them -- well all of them made
7 complaints. One of them made a complaint through the
8 Battalion Personnel Support Service, the informal
9 process. At that stage he received threatening
10 telephone calls from persons purporting to be connected 10:46
11 with the Kinahan Group and he was told not to -- that
12 they wanted to have word with him and so forth. He
13 became very, very anxious about that and he eventually
14 didn't proceed. He was also threatened with relocation
15 and he didn't proceed to the formal stage. 10:46

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17 The second individual did proceed to the formal stage
18 but again he perceived himself not to get anywhere. He
19 doesn't consider that his complaint was dealt with in
20 accordance with fair procedures. He wasn't given an 10:47
21 opportunity to answer any of the suppositions or
22 prejudices which the deciding officers had and that
23 sort of thing.

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25 The final person also received threatening messages 10:47
26 from these people who claim to be connected with the
27 Kinahans in defence of an officer about whom the
28 complaints were made.

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1 So that issue of the phone -- the matter, as we
2 perceive it, of the threatening calls was then, if you
3 like, exported to An Garda Síochána, if I might use
4 that term. And they, of course, employed a very high
5 standard of proof, namely beyond reasonable doubt. 10:47
6 They said, well, in all the circumstances they couldn't
7 decrypt some of the phones etc. They did find the
8 offending phone apparently but operational reasons were
9 cited as being sufficient or adequate reasons and there
10 was no prosecution. But one would have imagined that 10:48
11 the employer in that instance would have carried on
12 with his complaint, with the complaints process and
13 investigated the attempted sabotaging of such. But
14 nothing of that has happened. There's no feedback, no
15 information, no analysis of any phones, no explanation 10:48
16 and that general uncertainty.

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18 This was too much for the first guy. The second
19 individual has stayed the course but he is now out on
20 sick leave and they are losing his application forms 10:48
21 and stuff like that.

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23 The other thing in relation to two of them, and I don't
24 wish to detain the Chairperson any longer, is that
25 there is an issue about medical certification. When 10:49
26 stress was manifested in the case of two of these
27 persons which, in addition to the making of a formal
28 complaint, the presentation of a certificate from a
29 civilian doctor to say that there is work-related

1 stress should have been perhaps a trigger for some sort
2 of investigation. But instead what happened was the
3 relevant person who was alleged to be bullying would
4 not recommend the cert and then it would be sent to the
5 army doctor who would either recommend it or not. 10:49
6 Sometimes he would, sometimes he wouldn't. The reality
7 was that it left him in a great deal of uncertainty and
8 job insecurity.

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10 That's just some of the -- those are -- I don't wish to 10:49
11 go into any greater detail. We have submitted three
12 extensive statements, but it may be the case that my
13 clients would like to see the letter of invitation to
14 make submissions and perhaps to make a late
15 application. Obviously we don't want to become 10:50
16 involved in matters which are extraneous to their
17 particular cases.

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19 Two of them have also made protected disclosures.
20 I would totally concur with my friend here about the 10:50
21 ineffectuality of that process as it seems to have been
22 realised in institutional structures in the
23 transposition of the directive. We haven't got what
24 might be considered rational reports with sufficient
25 reason and so forth. 10:50

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27 I suppose one of the things about legal representation
28 is that it might allow, for example, the hiring of a
29 phone expert or an electronic expert to look at, let's

1 say, the electronic records of the army physician which
2 are apparently stored on the Socrates system and also
3 the phone or the phone reports or whatever emanated
4 from whatever investigation did happen, if any, into
5 those threats and sabotaging following the invocation 10:51
6 of the complaints process.

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8 So my application is, perhaps I might like to join
9 friends who have made similar applications for an
10 extension of time, subject to perhaps you considering 10:51
11 whether what has been submitted by way of statements
12 has been adequate, and I'm again grateful for your
13 forbearance.

14 SOLE MEMBER: Thank you, Mr. Cullen. I should just
15 clarify that on Friday we understood that you 10:52
16 represented three individuals and it wasn't quite clear
17 that you were a representative group per se. So
18 without determining the issue, now that you are here
19 the Tribunal is happy to hear from you. We will
20 deliver a ruling, the Tribunal will deliver a ruling in 10:52
21 due course.

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23 I want to thank everybody who has attended here this
24 morning for the purposes of making the application.
25 I will consider all of the submissions made, consider 10:52
26 them carefully and I will give judgment, a ruling on
27 the applications very shortly.

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29 I would remind everybody that I am bound by the Terms

1 of Reference. I cannot extend beyond the Terms of
2 Reference and I know that you understand that too. But
3 I did think it was important for people to explain this
4 morning the basis upon which their applications were
5 being made and how you as applicants see yourselves as 10:52
6 coming within the Terms of Reference, in some cases
7 limited and in some cases on the basis of an
8 application for full representation.

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10 Apart from being bound by the Terms of Reference I am 10:52
11 obliged to exercise the discretion I have in accordance
12 with the legal principles to which Mr. Cush refers and
13 I will do that.

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15 Finally, I want to give a ruling now on the extension 10:53
16 of time applications that were made by several bodies
17 for time to be extended.

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19 CLOSING REMARKS BY THE SOLE MEMBER

20 10:53
21 Having heard the submissions of the parties and having
22 considered them I am prepared to extend the time.
23 I should just remind everybody I have 36 months within
24 which to hear all of the evidence, to gather it. We
25 have a legal team working flat out I should say at the 10:53
26 moment trying to get through everything that is coming
27 in. So I would ask for your understanding, that if
28 I have 36 months to do it, I need you to cooperate with
29 me and to try to get whatever evidence you have in as

1 soon as possible.

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3 Could I just remind the representative bodies to inform
4 your members of the existence of the Tribunal. I think
5 PDFORRA indicated you represented 90%, I think some 10:53
6 6,000 personnel you say are mentioned in your
7 submissions. So could I ask everybody involved to
8 ensure that the existence of the Tribunal is known.
9 With that in mind then I would extend the date for
10 submitting statements or evidence to the Tribunal to 10:54
11 30th September. As I say, that's a full three months
12 out of the 36 months that I have been given to decide.
13 Of course I would like to get started as soon as
14 possible. If there was some obstacle or some serious
15 reason as to why you can't get the evidence to me 10:54
16 before then of course I would consider a slight
17 extension of time, but you must understand the
18 pressures under which I work.

19
20 So I will set the date as 30th September for the filing 10:54
21 of evidence and statements. I would like to thank once
22 again everybody who is here, those who are represented,
23 the Tribunal's own legal team, those who are
24 represented and those who are not. And, as I said,
25 I will give the ruling in early course. Thank you very 10:54
26 much.

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28 THE HEARING WAS CONCLUDED

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