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Ms. Louise O'Reilly TD, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, Dublin 2.

Re: PQ 51961/19. To ask the Minister for Health the number of times an on-duty ambulance, rapid response vehicle or intermediate care vehicle has been involved in an accident while on duty to date in 2019; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

As at 30th November 2019, there was one (1) emergency ambulance, one (1) rapid response and zero intermediate care vehicles written-off as a result of an accident (while on duty). It is important to put into context the small number of write-offs compared to the total road usage of NAS Vehicles which is circa 20,000,000 Kms driven per year and is projected to reach approximately 22,000,000 Kms by the end of 2019.

I trust this information is of assistance to and should you require additional information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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