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13th May 2020.

Re: PQ 4164/20. To ask the Minister for Health the status of an ambulance base proposed for Maam Cross, County Galway which was agreed by the National Ambulance Service and is awaiting HSE approval; the timeframe for a decision on the ambulance base; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Grealish,

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 a response.

While a meeting took place in April last year in relation to the possibility of locating a Deployment Point at Maam Cross, there was no commitment given by the National Ambulance Service to allocate additional service development resources to the area of Connemara.

The Deputy Director of the NAS and other Senior Operational Managers of the NAS, have conducted a review of emergency calls across the entire state to establish an evidenced based approach, in line with the baseline capacity review, to the allocation of additional resources to locations that are highlighted within this review and to assist in the service development decision making process in line with the baseline capacity review.

As you may be aware additional resources, have in the last number of years, been placed in areas of Galway and Tuam.

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

Yours sincerely,

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Senior Executive Officer.