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## RE PQ 37789/20

## Question

To ask the Minister for Health the names of the manufacturing companies in China from which the Government and or the HSE has purchased Covid-19 related PPE products such as face masks; the amount paid to each company; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Carol Nolan

## Response

Deputy Nolan,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) 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.

The HSE has not purchased PPE directly from any manufacturing companies in China. The worldwide supply of Chinese manufactured PPE is based on a supply chain of brokers and distributors. The HSE, in common with most other countries, would have procured its PPE supplies from China through these supply arrangements. Once the correct certification and WHO standards were confirmed it was a matter for the broker or distributor to manage the supply chain between the manufacturer and the receiving country.

The HSE can confirm that the only OEM manufacturers from which the HSE has procured directly are Irish Indigenous manufacturers, 3M Ltd and OM Halyard, and none of the products procured were manufactured in China.

Please see attached a full listing of the suppliers and PPE purchases made by the HSE.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Head of Procurement on (01) 635 2688 or via <a href="mailto:ohop@hse.ie">ohop@hse.ie</a>.

Yours sincerely,

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