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## RE PQ 18503/22

## Question

To ask the Minister for Health the amount paid back by the Chinese companies with whom this State was in a legal dispute regarding ventilators (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter.

## Response

Deputy Tóibín,

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 can confirm that the refund mentioned from a Chinese based supplier at the PAC in September 2021 has since been received by the HSE. The company provided the HSE with an initial reimbursement of approximately €11.6 million in December 2021. This was from an original balance of €16.2 million, which was owed to the HSE. The HSE is vigorously pursuing reimbursement for the remaining monies owed.

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 ohop@hse.ie.

Yours sincerely,

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