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**PQ21120/22** *To ask the Minister for Health if his attention has been drawn to the fact that some ambulance staff are being re deployed to be based in locations up to 109 km each way from their home and their previous base.; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Brian Stanley*

**PQ21121/22** *To ask the Minister for Health the implications of the redeployment of some ambulance staff in locations up to 109 km from their home and their previous base in regard to the health and safety of staff and other road users; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Brian Stanley*

Dear Deputy Stanley,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) National Ambulance Service (NAS) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The NAS Human Resources department has confirmed that there are two categories of staff who may be subject to redeployment; these are;

Staff redeployed as part of the COVID operations and the management of same. These staff were provided with transport at a nearby Ambulance Base to use when carrying out their duties. All staff redeployed to COVID operations have now returned to their substantive roles and duties, and there are now dedicated COVID teams in place.

Staff who are unable to carry out their substantive role, due to diagnosed health issues can seek redeployment into the wider HSE through the Health and Wellbeing Unit. This involves engagement from all involved and an agreement is reached with the staff member.

NAS can confirm that it has not been made aware of any staff member travelling in excess of 200km to and from work due to redeployment.

I trust that this is helpful to your query.  
Yours sincerely

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Head of Human Resources  
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