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Deputy Peadar Tóibín  
Dáil Éireann  
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**Re: PQ 21944/22 To ask the Minister for Health if he will act to retain the speech and language therapist at St Mary's Special School, Navan being removed by the HSE in which there is an established relationship between therapist, children, parents and staff at the school instead of proposed plans to place children on a HSE waiting list with substantial waiting periods; and if he will make a statement on the matter. – Peadar Tóibín**

Dear Deputy Tóibín,

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. I have examined the matter and outlined the position as follows.

Engagement between the HSE and the School Principal has been ongoing for a number of weeks. The Meath Disability Manager advised St Mary's Special School Principal and Chairperson that following careful consideration a decision had been made to retain the SLT post in St Mary's.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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Chief Officer  
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