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Deputy Brid Smith  
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**PQ 27108/22. To ask the Minister for Health if he will detail the progress on any investigation or report into the practice of the misuse and incineration of the organs of deceased babies; the steps that his Department is taking to ensure that this practice is not repeated; the meetings or consultations that are taking place with parents who have been affected with his Department or HSE officials; and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Smith

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 the following outlines the position.

The Cork University mortuary review into the disposal of perinatal organs is still ongoing. The SSWHG regrets the delay and acknowledges the disappointment for the families who have participated in the review process. A commitment to provide regular updates, to the families, has been given by the SSWHG.

I trust this information is of assistance

Yours Sincerely

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