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RE PQ 12243/23

Question

To ask the Minister for Health the extent of expenditure on ventilators during the pandemic, in tabular form; the number procured; the procurement process followed by batch; whether exemptions or derogations were applied on a purchase, for each; the spend and volume by vendor; the number purchased via a wholesaler and the number direct from a manufacturer; and if he will make a statement on the matter

Response

Deputy Cullinane,

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.

Please find attached 2 tables, extracted from the Special Report in to the Emergency Procurement of Ventilators which outlines spend for ventilators during the period requested.

With regards to compliance, given the urgency of the matter at that time, this expenditure was covered by extreme urgency in unforeseen circumstance article 32 in compliance with EU directives.

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 john.swords@hse.ie

Yours sincerely.

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