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PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health the number of prisoners on the waiting list to the Central Mental Hospital; and if she will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Ward,

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.

There are currently 33 men from prisons and 1 woman from prison on the waiting list for admission to the Central Mental Hospital, National Forensic Mental Health Service (NFMHS).

Yours sincerely,

Pauline Ackermann Head of Service National Forensic Mental Health Service