

**ST. VINCENT'S HEALTHCARE GROUP  
C/O ST. VINCENT'S UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL  
ELM PARK, DUBLIN 4, IRELAND**

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Incorporating St. Vincent's University Hospital, Elm Park, Dublin 4,  
Ireland; St. Michael's Hospital, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, Ireland; St.  
Vincent's Private Hospital, Elm Park, Dublin 4, Ireland

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Professor Noel Whelan, Chairman, Board of Directors



11 February, 2014

Ms Margaret Falsey  
Committee Secretariat  
Committee on Public Accounts  
Leinster House  
Dublin 2

Dear Ms Falsey:

I have just returned to Ireland from undertaking voluntary work abroad and have received your letter of 3 February 2014 to me through which you transmit a copy of an anonymous letter (on St. Vincent's headed notepaper) which was sent to Public Accounts Committee Chairman, Deputy John McGuinness T.D.

I confirm that St. Vincent's will supply a note on the issues raised in this letter to the Public Accounts Committee.

A point which perhaps you might wish to follow-up from the perspective of the PAC: The PAC Chairman stated (see page 99 of the transcript of the Committee proceedings of 16 January 2016) that he had "received a number of letters written to me as Chairman of the committee and written on headed notepaper from St. Vincent's University Hospital. These are unsigned letters but in my opinion they make serious charges about the hospital and the top-ups." I understood that the Chairman would forward more than one anonymous letter (on St. Vincent's headed notepaper) to St. Vincent's for a response. But, we have only received one such letter so far (under cover of your letter referred to above). We shall, of course, be very happy to provide notes on the other letters referred to by the Chairman if they are forwarded to us.

With kind regards;

Yours sincerely

  
NOEL WHELAN