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Ms. Sarah Cremin,
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Dear Ms. Cremin,

I refer to your letter of 11 March 2022 on behalf on the Committee of Public Accounts requesting an information note regarding proposals that Revenue act as the collection agent for the television licence fee.

Revenue's role is to collect taxes and duties on behalf of the State and the taxes and duties that Revenue is responsible for collecting are set out in the various tax and duty acts. The collection of television licence fees is not within the scope of tax and duty collection and any change in that regard is a matter for Government.

Responsibility for public service broadcasting rests with the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media and any queries in relation to the collection of the television licence fee are a matter for that Department.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter please do not hesitate to contact Angela O'Gorman at (01) 8589181 or <a href="mailto:angelaogorman@revenue.ie">angelaogorman@revenue.ie</a>.

Yours sincerely,

Niall Cody, Chairman.