## Reference ID: PAC16

## PAC Letter Reference: S1399 PAC33

**Query**: Further detail on the payment to Marco Pierre White's restaurant from the barter account, including the means by which the payment was made

## **Response:**

These were client representation, and payment made by credit card by the Astus Company. RTÉ are not in possession of a credit card relating to Astus or any barter agency.

## PAC 16 – Support

The 3 events would have been paid by Credit Card which is in Astus name and as a Credit Card is treated as cash, the rate after the 1.538% trade commission is included it will fluctuate as the charge will be based on the Exchange rate on the day payment was processed.

All 3 events were Client entertainment.

Marco Pierre White	Value	Final Cost (Astus)
August 2018	€560.20	€861.81
September 2018	€579.39	€891.32
November 2018	€562.25	€987.15