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A Airí,

I write in relation to the Select Committee's consideration of the Revised Estimates for Public Services 2023, and particularly as regards Programme Areas A, B, D, and E of Vote 33 therein, on 8th February 2023.

Following correspondence from the Joint Committee to your Department on 7th December 2022, containing a request for briefing in relation to the Estimates, the Select Committee wishes to note its thanks to your Department for its timely and thorough briefing, supplied on 11th January 2023. The briefing supplied has provided due transparency and assisted the Committee greatly in its scrutiny of the relevant programme areas of the 2023 Revised Estimates for Vote 33.

Standing Orders provide that Sectoral Committees may report to the House following consideration of an Estimate. This letter, which the Committee has agreed to lay before the House, will be considered as having discharged that provision.

The Select Committee wishes to thank you both for the productive engagement held on this year's Revised Estimates and it looks ahead to future discussions on relevant matters during the current budgetary cycle.

If you require further information regarding this matter, please contact Laura Pathe, Clerk to the Committee, by telephone at 01 618 4125, or by email at jcmedia@oireachtas.ie.

Yours sincerely,

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