

*Dé Máirt, 22 Meitheamh, 2004*  
*Tuesday, 22nd June, 2004*

2.30 p.m.

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**ORD GNÓ**  
**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

12. Tairiscint *maidir le* ceadú beartaithe ag Dáil Éireann i ndáil le Treoir ón gComhairle maidir le nós imeachta sonrach chun náisiúnaigh de chuid tríú tíortha a ghlacadh chun críocha taighde eolaíochta a tharchur chuig Comhchoiste.  
Motion *re* Referral to Joint Committee of proposed approval by Dáil Éireann for a Council Directive on a specific procedure for admitting third-country nationals for purposes of scientific research.
13. Tairiscint *maidir le* Meastacháin Athbhreithnithe i gcomhair Seirbhísí Poiblí 2004 [Vótaí 1 go 27 agus 30 go 38].  
Motion *re* Revised Estimates for Public Services 2004 [Votes 1 to 27 and 30 to 38].
17. Bille na Séadchomharthaí Náisiúnta (Leasú) 2004 — An Dara Céim (*atógáil*).  
National Monuments (Amendment) Bill 2004 - Second Stage (*resumed*).
4. An Bille um Banc Forbartha Chomhairle na hEorpa 2004 — Ordú don Dara Céim.  
Council of Europe Development Bank Bill 2004 — Order for Second Stage.

**GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA**  
**PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

39. Tairiscint *maidir leis* an Treoir um Níotráití.  
Motion *re* Nitrates Directive.

**I dTOSACH GNÓ PHOIBLÍ**  
**AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS**

*Billí ón Seanad : Bills from the Seanad*

1. An Bille um Shaoire Uchtaíoch 2004 [*Seanad*] — An Dara Céim.  
Adoptive Leave Bill 2004 [*Seanad*] — Second Stage.

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2. An Bille um Dhlí na Farraige (Píoráideacht a Chur faoi Chois) 2001 [*Seanad*] — An Dara Céim.  
Law of the Sea (Repression of Piracy) Bill 2001 [*Seanad*] — Second Stage.

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3. An Bille um Dhliteanas Sibhialta agus Cúirteanna 2004 [*Seanad*] — An Dara Céim.  
Civil Liability and Courts Bill 2004 [*Seanad*] — Second Stage.

*Billí a thionscnamh : Initiation of Bills*

*Tíolactha:*

*Presented:*

4. An Bille um Banc Forbartha Chomhairle na hEorpa 2004 — Ordú don Dara Céim.  
Council of Europe Development Bank Bill 2004 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do dhéanamh socrú maidir le ceadú théarmaí an Chomh-aontaithe um Banc Forbartha Chomhairle na hEorpa agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe (lena n-áirítear íocaíochtaí) a bhaineann leis an gComhaontú sin.

Bill entitled an Act to provide for the approval of the terms of the Agreement for the Council of Europe Development Bank and to provide for matters (including payments) related to that Agreement.

— *An tAire Airgeadais.*

5. An Bille um Thrácht ar Bhóithre 2004 — Ordú don Dara Céim.  
Road Traffic Bill 2004 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do leasú agus do leathnú na nAchtanna um Thrácht ar Bhóithre 1961 go 2003 agus do leasú an Achta um Údaráis Áitiúla (Maoir Thrácht) 1975 agus an Achta um Rialáil Tacsaithe 2003.

Bill entitled an Act to amend and extend the Road Traffic Acts 1961 to 2003 and to amend the Local Authorities (Traffic Wardens) Act 1975 and the Taxi Regulation Act 2003.

— *An tAire Iompair.*

6. An Bille um Sheirbhís Bhuiséadaithe agus Comhairle Airgid 2002 — Ordú don Dara Céim.  
Money Advice and Budgeting Service Bill 2002 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do dhéanamh socrú maidir le seirbhís bhainistithe fiachais a fhorbairt agus a chur chun feidhme d'fhonn cuidiú le daoine aonair le linn fiachas tomhaltóra a bhainistiú, a laghdú agus a urscaoileadh; d'fhonn comhoibriú idir daoine agus an tAire Gnóthaí Sóisialacha, Pobail agus Teaghlaigh a éascú chun cuid-eachtaí a bhunú chun an tseirbhís a sholáthar; do dhéanamh socrú maidir leis na cuideachtaí sin do dhéanamh comhaontuithe leis an Aire chun an tseirbhís a sholáthar mar sholáthraithe seirbhíse áitiúla;

Bill entitled an Act to provide for the development and implementation of a debt management service to assist individuals in managing, reducing and discharging consumer debt; to facilitate co-operation between persons and the Minister for Social, Community and Family Affairs for the purpose of establishing companies to provide the service; to provide for those companies to enter into agreements with the Minister to provide the service as local service providers; to provide for the principal objects of local service providers;

do dhéanamh socrú maidir le príomhchuspóirí soláthraithe seirbhíse áitiúla; do thabhairt feidhmeanna don Aire maidir le cistiú, faireachán agus measúnú na seirbhíse; do bhunú Coiste Comhairleach Náisiúnta um Sheirbhís Bhuiséadaithe agus Comhairle Airgid chun dul i gcomhairle leis an Aire agus comhairle a thabhairt don Aire i dtaobh nithe a bhaineann le beartas i ndáil leis an tseirbhís, agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

to confer on the Minister functions in respect of the funding, monitoring and evaluation of the service; to establish a National Money Advice and Budgeting Service Advisory Committee to consult with and advise the Minister on matters of policy relating to the service, and to provide for related matters.

— *An tAire Gnóthaí Sóisialacha, Pobail agus Teaghlaigh.*

**7. An Bille um Pleanáil agus Forbairt (Leasú) 2004 — Ordú don Dara Céim.**  
 Planning and Development (Amendment) Bill 2004 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do leasú an Achta um Pleanáil agus Forbairt 2000 chun socrú a dhéanamh maidir le húdarais phleanála do dhiúltú cead pleanála do dhaoine a mhainnigh san am a caitheadh cead pleanála a deonaíodh a chomhlíonadh.

Bill entitled an Act to amend the Planning and Development Act 2000 to make provision for the refusal by planning authorities of planning permission to persons who in the past failed to comply with planning permission granted.

— *Michael Noonan.*

**8. An Bille um Gníomhaireacht Forbartha Ghráinseach Ghormáin 2004 — Ordú don Dara Céim.**  
 Grangegorman Development Agency Bill 2004 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do dhéanamh socrú maidir le limistéar i nGráinseach Ghormáin, Baile Átha Cliath a fhorbairt mar shuíomh le haghaidh saoráidí oideachais, sláinte agus eile, agus chun na críche sin do dhéanamh socrú maidir le comhlacht a bhunú ar a dtabharfar Gníomhaireacht Forbartha Ghráinseach Ghormáin, do mhíniú a fheidhmeanna, do leasú an Achta um Pleanáil agus Forbairt 2000 agus an Achta um Gníomhaireacht Airgeadais d'Fhorbairt Náisiúnta 2002 agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

Bill entitled an Act to make provision for the development of an area in Grangegorman, Dublin as a location for education, health and other facilities, and for that purpose to provide for the establishment of a body to be known as the Grangegorman Development Agency, to define its functions, to amend the Planning and Development Act 2000 and the National Development Finance Agency Act 2002 and to provide for related matters.

— *An tAire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta.*

**9. An Bille chun na hAchtanna um Chiontaí in aghaidh an Stáit (1939 go 1998) a Aisghairm 2004 — Ordú don Dara Céim.**  
 Offences Against the State Acts (1939 to 1998) Repeal Bill 2004 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht acht d'aisghairm na hAchtanna um Chiontaí in aghaidh an Stáit 1939 go 1998.

Bill entitled an Act an act to repeal the Offences against the State Acts 1939 to 1998.

— *Aengus Ó Snodaigh.*

**10. An Bille Poist (Forálacha Ilghnéitheacha) 2001 — Ordú don Dara Céim.**  
 Postal (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2001 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do dhéanamh socrú maidir le scaireanna in An Post a

Bill entitled an Act to make provision for the issue of shares in An Post and the sale

eisiúint agus maidir leis an Aire Fiontar Poiblí do dhíol agus do dhiúscairt scair-eanna ann, do laghdú an lín stiúirthóirí ar An Post arna gceapadh ag an Aire Fiontar Poiblí faoi alt 23(1) den Acht um Páirteachas Lucht Oibre (Fiontair Stáit), 1977, do dhéanamh socrú chun ainm an Stiúirthóra Rialála Teileachumarsáide a athrú go dtí an Stiúirthóir Rialála Cumarsáide agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe comhghaolmhara.

and disposal of shares in it by the Minister for Public Enterprise, to reduce the number of directors of An Post appointed by the Minister for Public Enterprise under section 23(1) of the Worker Participation (State Enterprises) Act, 1977, to provide for the change of the name of the Director of Telecommunications Regulation to the Director of Communications Regulation and to provide for connected matters.

— *An tAire Fiontar Poiblí.*

**11.** An Bille um Aerfoirt Stáit 2004 — Ordú don Dara Céim.  
State Airports Bill 2004 — Order for Second Stage.

Bille dá ngairtear Acht do dhéanamh socrú maidir leis na haerfoirt Stáit ar a dtugtar Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath, Aerfort Chorcaí agus Aerfort na Sionna a dhílsiú, a bhainistiú, a oibriú agus a fhorbairt agus chun na críche sin d'athainmniú Aer Rianta, cuideachta phoiblí theoranta, mar Údarás Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath, cuideachta phoiblí theoranta, a mbeidh Aerfort Bhaile Átha Cliath dílsithe dó agus le bainistiú, le hoibriú agus le forbairt aige agus i dtaca leis an athstruchtúrú seo do dhéanamh socrú *inter alia* maidir le sócmhainní áirithe de chuid Aer Rianta cpt a aistriú in dhá chuideachta phoiblí theoranta nua arna bhfoirmiú agus arna gclárú faoi Achtanna na gCuideachtaí 1963 go 2003 a dtabharfar Údarás Aerfort Chorcaí, cuideachta phoiblí theoranta, ar cheann díobh a mbeidh Aerfort Chorcaí dílsithe dó agus le bainistiú, le hoibriú agus le forbairt aige agus a dtabharfar Údarás Aerfort na Sionna, cuideachta phoiblí theoranta, ar an gceann eile, a mbeidh Aerfort na Sionna dílsithe dó agus le bainistiú, le hoibriú agus le forbairt aige, do leasú na nAchtanna Aerloingseoireachta agus Aeriompair 1936 go 1998, an Achta Aerphoirt Neamhchustam 1947, an Achta um Rialáil Eitlíochta 2001 agus do dhéanamh socrú i dtaobh nithe gaolmhara.

Bill entitled an Act to provide for the vesting, management, operation and development of the State airports known as Dublin Airport, Cork Airport and Shannon Airport and for that purpose to re-name Aer Rianta, cuideachta phoiblí theoranta as Dublin Airport Authority, public limited company to have vested in it, manage, operate and develop Dublin Airport and in connection with this restructuring to provide *inter alia* for the transfer of certain assets of Aer Rianta cpt in two new public limited companies formed and registered under the Companies Acts 1963 to 2003 one of which to be named Cork Airport Authority, public limited company to have vested in it, manage, operate and develop Cork Airport and the other to be named Shannon Airport Authority, public limited company, to have vested in it, manage, operate and develop Shannon Airport, to amend the Air Navigation and Transport Acts 1936 to 1998, the Customs-free Airport Act 1947, the Aviation Regulation Act 2001 and to provide for related matters.

— *An tAire Iompair.*

*Fógraí Tairisceana : Notices of Motions*

**12.** “Go ndéanfar an togra go gceadaíonn Dáil Éireann an Stát d’fheidhmiú an roghnaithe, arna chur ar fáil le hAirteagal 3 den cheathrú Prótacal atá leagtha amach i gConradh Amstardam, fógra a thabhairt d’Uachtarán na Comhairle gur mian leis a bheith páirteach i nglacadh agus i bhfeidhmiú an bhirt bheartaithe seo a leanas:

That the proposal that Dáil Éireann approve the exercise by the State of the option, provided by Article 3 of the fourth Protocol set out in the Treaty of Amsterdam, to notify the President of the Council that it wishes to take part in the adoption and application of the following proposed measure:

togra le haghaidh Treorach ón gComhairle maidir le nós imeachta sonracha chun náisiúnaigh de chuid tríú tíortha a ghlacadh chun críocha taighde eolaíochta

a proposal for a Council Directive on a specific procedure for admitting third-country nationals for purposes of scientific research

ar beart beartaithe é ar leagadh cóip de faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 6 Bealtaine, 2004, a tharchur chuig an gComhchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan, de réir mhír (2) d'Ordúithe Tagartha an Choiste sin, agus go ndéanfaidh an Coiste sin, tráth nach déanaí ná an 8 Iúil, 2004, teachtaireacht a chur chuig an Dáil ar an modh a fhorordaítear i mBuan-Ordú 85, agus go mbeidh feidhm dá réir ag Buan-Ordú 84(2).

a copy of which proposed measure was laid before Dáil Éireann on 6th May, 2004, be referred to the Joint Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights, in accordance with paragraph (2) of the Orders of Reference of that Committee, which, not later than 8th July, 2004, shall send a message to the Dáil in the manner prescribed in Standing Order 85, and Standing Order 84(2) shall accordingly apply."

— *Máire Ní Ainifin, Aire Stáit ag Roinn an Taoisigh.*

**13.** "Meastacháin i gcomhair Seirbhísí Poiblí [2004]:

Estimates for Public Services [2004]:

*Vóta 1 (Teaghlachas an Uachtaráin) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

*Vote 1 (President's Establishment) (Revised Estimate).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €2,221,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig Rúnaí an Uachtaráin, le haghaidh costas áirithe eile a bhaineann le Teaghlachas an Uachtaráin agus le haghaidh deontas áirithe.

That a sum not exceeding €2,221,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Secretary to the President, for certain other expenses of the President's Establishment and for certain grants.

*Vóta 2 (Roinn an Taoisigh) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

*Vote 2 (Department of the Taoiseach) (Revised Estimate).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €37,585,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Roinn an Taoisigh, lena n-áirítear seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh na Roinne agus chun deontais agus deontais-i-gcabhair a íoc.

That a sum not exceeding €37,585,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Department of the Taoiseach, including certain services administered by the Department and for payment of grants and grants-in-aid.

*Vóta 3 (Oifig an Ard-Aighne) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

*Vote 3 (Office of the Attorney General) (Revised Estimate).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €13,765,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Ard-Aighne lena n-áirítear deontas-i-gcabhair.

That a sum not exceeding €13,765,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st Day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Attorney General, including a grant-in-aid.

*Vóta 4 (An Phríomh-Oifig Staidrimh) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €36,408,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thíocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais na Príomh-Oifige Staidrimh.

*Vóta 5 (Oifig an Ard-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €7,759,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thíocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Ard-Reachtair Cuntas agus Ciste.

*Vóta 6 (Oifig an Aire Airgeadais) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €127,341,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thíocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Airgeadais, lena n-áirítear Oifig an Phámháistir Ghinearálta, le haghaidh seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh Oifig an Aire agus chun deontais áirithe agus deontais-i-gcabhair a íoc.

*Vóta 7 (Aoisliúntas agus Liúntais Scoir) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €229,416,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thíocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh pinsean, aoisliúntas, díobhá-lacha ceirde, agus liúntas agus aiscí, breise agus eile, faoi na hAchtanna Aoisliúntas 1834 go 1963, agus faoin Acht Aoisliúntas agus Pinsean 1976, agus faoi reachtanna iolartha eile; le haghaidh pinsean, liúntas agus aiscí seach-reachtúla arna ndámhachtain ag an Aire Airgeadais; táillí do liaréiteoirí agus táillí ócáideacha do dhochtúirí; cúitimh agus íocaíochtaí eile i leith díobhálacha pearsanta; táillí don Bhord Pinsean; íocaíochtaí i leith an Chórais Sochair Pinsean, íocaíochtaí ilghnéitheacha, etc.

*Vóta 8 (Oifig na gCoimisinéirí Achomhairc) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €571,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thíocfaidh chun

*Vote 4 (Central Statistics Office) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €36,408,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Central Statistics Office.

*Vote 5 (Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €7,759,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General.

*Vote 6 (Office of the Minister for Finance) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €127,341,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Finance, including the Paymaster-General's Office, for certain services administered by the Office of the Minister and for payment of certain grants and grants-in-aid.

*Vote 7 (Superannuation and Retired Allowances) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €229,416,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for pensions, superannuation, occupational injuries, and additional and other allowances and gratuities under the Superannuation Acts 1834 to 1963, and the Superannuation and Pensions Act 1976, and sundry other statutes; extra-statutory pensions, allowances and gratuities awarded by the Minister for Finance; fees to medical referees and occasional fees to doctors; compensation and other payments in respect of personal injuries; fees to Pensions Board; payments in respect of Pensions Benefit System, miscellaneous payments, etc.

*Vote 8 (Office of the Appeals Commissioners) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €571,000 be granted to defray the charge which will

bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig na gCoimisinéirí Achomhairc.

*Vóta 9 (Oifig na gCoimisinéirí Ioncaim) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €327,703,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig na gCoimisinéirí Ioncaim, lena n-áirítear seirbhísí áirithe eile atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin.

*Vóta 10 (Oifig na nOibreacha Poiblí) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €432,082,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig na nOibreacha Poiblí; le haghaidh seirbhísí atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin, lena n-áirítear Oifig an tSoláthair mar chuid de Ghníomhaireacht Soláthair an Rialtais, agus chun deontais áirithe a íoc agus chun caiteachas áirithe i ndáil le faoiseamh tuile a chúiteamh.

*Vóta 11 (An tSaotharlann Stáit) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €16,186,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais na Saotharlainne Stáit.

*Vóta 12 (An tSeirbhís Shicréideach) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €767,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh na Seirbhíse Sicréidí.

*Vóta 13 (Oifig an Phríomh-Aturnae Stáit) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €29,356,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Phríomh-Aturnae Stáit.

come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Appeals Commissioners.

*Vote 9 (Office of the Revenue Commissioners) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €327,703,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Revenue Commissioners, including certain other services administered by that Office.

*Vote 10 (Office of Public Works) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €432,082,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of Public Works; for services administered by that Office including the Stationery Office as part of the Government Supplies Agency, and for payment of certain grants and for the recoupment of certain expenditure in connection with flood relief.

*Vote 11 (State Laboratory) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €16,186,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the State Laboratory.

*Vote 12 (Secret Service) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €767,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st Day of December, 2004, for Secret Service.

*Vote 13 (Office of the Chief State Solicitor) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €29,356,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Chief State Solicitor.

*Vóta 14 (Oifig an Stiúrthóra Ionchúiseamh Poiblí) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €32,122,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Stiúrthóra Ionchúiseamh Poiblí.

*Vóta 15 (An Oifig Luachála) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €9,498,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais na hOifige Luachála agus mionseirbhísí áirithe.

*Vóta 16 (Coimisiún na Státseirbhíse) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €11,763,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Choimisiún na Státseirbhíse agus an Choimisiúin um Cheapacháin Áitiúla.

*Vóta 17 (Oifig an Ombudsman) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €5,517,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Ombudsman, an Choimisiúin um Chaighdeáin in Oifigí Poiblí agus Oifig an Choimisinéara Faisnéise.

*Vóta 18 (An Dánlann Náisiúnta) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €8,602,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais na Dánlainne Náisiúnta, lena n-áirítear deontais-i-gcabhair.

*Vóta 19 (Dlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas agus Athchóiriú Dlí) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €331,436,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004,

*Vote 14 (Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €32,122,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions.

*Vote 15 (Valuation Office) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €9,498,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Valuation Office and certain minor services.

*Vote 16 (Civil Service Commission) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €11,763,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Civil Service Commission and of the Local Appointments Commission.

*Vote 17 (Office of the Ombudsman) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €5,517,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Ombudsman, the Standards in Public Office Commission and the Office of the Information Commissioner.

*Vote 18 (National Gallery) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €8,602,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the National Gallery, including grants-in-aid.

*Vote 19 (Justice, Equality and Law Reform) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €331,436,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004,



le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Dlí agus Cirt, Comhionannais agus Athchóirithe Dlí agus seirbhísí áirithe eile, lena n-áirítear íocaíochtaí faoi scéimeanna airgead-teoranta atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin, agus chun deontais áirithe agus deontais-i-gcabhair a íoc.

*Vóta 20 (An Garda Síochána) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €1,054,927,000 chun íochta an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníochta i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais an Gharda Síochána, lena n-áirítear pinsin, etc.; le haghaidh íocaíochtaí cúitimh agus costas eile i leith seirbhíse sna Caomhnóirí Áitiúla; chun costais finnítithe áirithe a íoc; agus chun deontas-i-gcabhair a íoc.

*Vóta 21 (Príosúin) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €345,726,000 chun íochta an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníochta i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais na Seirbhíse Príosúin, na foirne promhaidh agus leasa agus le haghaidh costas eile i ndáil le príosúin lena n-áirítear ionaid choinneála; le haghaidh seirbhísí promhaidh agus leasa; agus chun deontas-i-gcabhair a íoc.

*Vóta 22 (An tSeirbhís Chúirteanna) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €75,707,000 chun íochta an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníochta i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh na dtuarastal agus na gcostas sin de chuid na Seirbhíse Cúirteanna agus na Cúirte Uachtaraí, na hArd-Chúirte, na Cúirte Coiriúla Speisialta, na Cúirte Cuarda agus na Cúirte Dúiche agus mionseirbhísí áirithe eile nach muirear ar an bPríomh-Chiste.

*Vóta 23 (Clárlann na Talún agus Clárlann na nGníomhas) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €32,658,000 chun íochta an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníochta i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004,

for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform, and of certain other services, including payments under cash-limited schemes administered by that Office, and payment of certain grants and grants-in-aid.

*Vote 20 (Garda Síochána) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €1,054,927,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Garda Síochána, including pensions, etc.; for payments of compensation and other expenses arising out of service in the Local Security Force; for the payment of certain witnesses' expenses; and for payment of a grant-in-aid.

*Vote 21 (Prisons) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €345,726,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Prison Service, probation and welfare staff and other expenses in connection with prisons, including places of detention; for probation and welfare services; and for payment of a grant-in-aid.

*Vote 22 (Courts Service) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €75,707,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for such of the salaries and expenses of the Courts Service and of the Supreme Court, the High Court, the Special Criminal Court, the Circuit Court and the District Court and of certain other minor services as are not charged to the Central Fund.

*Vote 23 (Land Registry and Registry of Deeds) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €32,658,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004,

le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Chlárlann na Talún agus Chlárlann na nGníomhas.

*Vóta 24 (Tabhartais agus Tiomnachtaí Carthanúla) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €411,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thíocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig na dTabhartas agus na dTiomnachtaí Carthanúla.

*Vóta 25 (Comhshaol, Oidhreacht agus Rialtas Áitiúil) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €2,309,788,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thíocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Comhshaol, Oidhreacht agus Rialtais Áitiúil, lena n-áirítear deontais d'Údarás Áitiúla, deontais agus costais eile i ndáil le tithíocht, scéimeanna ilghnéitheacha, fóirdheontais agus deontais eile.

*Vóta 26 (Oideachas agus Eolaíocht) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €6,384,854,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thíocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Oideachais agus Eolaíochta, le haghaidh seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin, agus chun deontais áirithe agus deontais-i-gcabhair a íoc.

*Vóta 27 (An Roinn Gnóthaí Pobail, Tuaithe agus Gaeltachta) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €278,334,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thíocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004 le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Gnóthaí Pobail, Tuaithe agus Gaeltachta, agus le haghaidh seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin, lena n-áirítear deontais áirithe agus ildeontais-i-gcabhair.

*Vóta 28 (Gnóthaí Eachtracha) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €163,240,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a

for the salaries and expenses of the Land Registry and of the Registry of Deeds.

*Vote 24 (Charitable Donations and Bequests) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €411,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Charitable Donations and Bequests Office.

*Vote 25 (Environment, Heritage and Local Government) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €2,309,788,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, including grants to Local Authorities, grants and other expenses in connection with housing, miscellaneous schemes, subsidies and grants.

*Vote 26 (Education and Science) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €6,384,854,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Education and Science, for certain services administered by that Office, and for payment of certain grants and grants-in-aid.

*Vote 27 (Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €278,334,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs, and for certain services administered by that Office, including certain grants and sundry grants-in-aid.

*Vote 28 (Foreign Affairs) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €163,240,000 be granted to defray the charge which will

thiocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Gnóthaí Eachtracha, agus le haghaidh seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin, lena n-áirítear deontais-i-gcabhair, agus ranníocaí le hEagraíochtaí Idirnáisiúnta.

*Vóta 29 (Comhar Idirnáisiúnta) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €400,030,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh Cúnaimh Oifigiúil Forbartha áirithe, lena n-áirítear deontais-i-gcabhair áirithe agus le haghaidh ranníocaí le hEagraíochtaí Idirnáisiúnta áirithe a bhaineann le Cúnamh Forbartha agus le haghaidh tuarastal agus caiteachas i ndáil leis an gcéanna.

*Vóta 30 (Cumarsáid, Muir agus Acmhainní Nádúrtha) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €257,582,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Cumarsáide, Mara agus Acmhainní Nádúrtha, lena n-áirítear seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin, agus chun deontais áirithe agus ildeontais-i-gcabhair a íoc.

*Vóta 31 (Talmhaíocht agus Bia) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €926,077,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Talmhaíochta agus Bia, lena n-áirítear seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin, agus Choimisiún Talún na hÉireann agus chun deontais áirithe, fóirdheontais agus ildeontais-i-gcabhair a íoc, agus chun deontais áirithe a íoc faoi scéimeanna airgead-teoranta.

*Vóta 32 (Iompar) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €1,981,960,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiocfaidh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004,

come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Foreign Affairs, and for certain services administered by that Office, including grants-in-aid, and contributions to International Organisations.

*Vote 29 (International Co-operation) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €400,030,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for certain Official Development Assistance, including certain grants-in-aid, and for contributions to certain International Organisations involved in Development Assistance and for salaries and expenses in connection therewith.

*Vote 30 (Communications, Marine and Natural Resources) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €257,582,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Communications, Marine and Natural Resources, including certain services administered by that Office, and for payment of certain grants and sundry grants-in-aid.

*Vote 31 (Agriculture and Food) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €926,077,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Agriculture and Food, including certain services administered by that Office, and of the Irish Land Commission and for payment of certain grants, subsidies and sundry grants-in-aid and for the payment of certain grants under cash-limited schemes.

*Vote 32 (Transport) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €1,981,960,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004,

le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Iompair, lena n-áirítear seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin, agus chun deontais áirithe agus deontais-i-gcabhair a íoc, agus le haghaidh seirbhísí áirithe eile.

*Vóta 33 (Sláinte agus Leanaí) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €8,664,272,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Sláinte agus Leanaí (lena n-áirítear Oifig an Ard-Chláraitheora), agus seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin, lena n-áirítear deontais do Bhoird Sláinte agus deontais ilghnéitheacha.

*Vóta 34 (Fiontair, Trádáil agus Fostaíocht) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €1,124,471,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta, lena n-áirítear seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin, chun fóirdheontais, deontais agus deontais-i-gcabhair áirithe a íoc agus chun deontais áirithe a íoc faoi scéimeanna airgead-teoranta.

*Vóta 35 (Ealaíona, Spórt agus Turasóireacht) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €424,387,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Ealaíon, Spóirt agus Turasóireachta, lena n-áirítear seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin, agus chun fóirdheontais, deontais agus deontais-i-gcabhair áirithe a íoc.

*Vóta 36 (Cosaint) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €697,656,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Cosanta, lena n-áirítear seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin; le haghaidh phá agus chostais Óglaigh na

for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Transport, including certain services administered by that Office, for payment of certain grants and grants-in-aid, and certain other services.

*Vote 33 (Health and Children) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €8,664,272,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Health and Children (including Oifig an Ard-Chláraitheora), and certain services administered by that Office, including grants to Health Boards and miscellaneous grants.

*Vote 34 (Enterprise, Trade and Employment) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €1,124,471,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment, including certain services administered by that Office, for the payment of certain subsidies, grants and grants-in-aid and for the payment of certain grants under cash-limited schemes.

*Vote 35 (Arts, Sport and Tourism) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €424,387,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Arts, Sport and Tourism, including certain services administered by that Office, and for payment of certain subsidies, grants and grants-in-aid.

*Vote 36 (Defence) (Revised Estimate).*

That a sum not exceeding €697,656,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Defence, including certain services administered by that Office; for the pay and expenses of the Defence

hÉireann; agus chun deontais-i-gcabhair áirithe a íoc.

Forces; and for payment of certain grants-in-aid.

*Vóta 37 (Arm-Phinsin) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

*Vote 37 (Army Pensions) (Revised Estimate).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €159,604,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh pá scoir, pinsean, cúitimh, liúntas agus aiseí is iníoctha faoi reachtanna iolartha le comhaltaí d'Óglaigh na hÉireann agus d'Eagraíochtaí Míleata áirithe eile, etc., nó ina leith sin; agus le haghaidh ranníocaí agus costas iolartha i ndáil leo sin; le haghaidh liúntas seach-reachtúil áirithe leanaí agus íocaíochtaí eile agus le haghaidh ildeontas.

That a sum not exceeding €159,604,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for retired pay, pensions, compensation, allowances and gratuities payable under sundry statutes to or in respect of members of the Defence Forces and certain other Military Organisations, etc., and for sundry contributions and expenses in connection therewith; for certain extra-statutory children's allowances and other payments and for sundry grants.

*Vóta 38 (Gnóthaí Sóisialacha agus Teaghlaigh) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).*

*Vote 38 (Social and Family Affairs) (Revised Estimate).*

Go ndeonófar suim nach mó ná €5,999,368,000 chun íoctha an mhuirir a thiofadh chun bheith iníoctha i rith na bliana dar críoch an 31ú lá de Nollaig, 2004, le haghaidh thuarastail agus chostais Oifig an Aire Gnóthaí Sóisialacha agus Teaghlaigh, le haghaidh seirbhísí áirithe atá faoi riaradh na hOifige sin, agus le haghaidh deontas áirithe lena n-áirítear deontas-i-gcabhair.

That a sum not exceeding €5,999,368,000 be granted to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2004, for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Minister for Social and Family Affairs, for certain services administered by that Office, and for certain grants including a grant-in-aid."

— *An tAire Airgeadais.*

14. "Go gceadaíonn Dáil Éireann an Stát d'fheidhmiú an roghnaithe, arna chur ar fáil le hAirteagal 3 den cheathrú Prótocal atá leagtha amach i gConradh Amstardam, fógra a thabhairt d'Uachtarán na Comhairle gur mian leis a bheith páirteach i nglacadh agus i bhfeidhmiú an bhirt bheartaithe seo a leanas:

That Dáil Éireann approves the exercise by the State of the option, provided by Article 3 of the fourth Protocol set out in the Treaty of Amsterdam, to notify the President of the Council that it wishes to take part in the adoption and application of the following proposed measure:

togra le haghaidh Treorach ón gComhairle maidir le nós imeachta sonracha chun náisiúnaigh de chuid tríú tíortha a ghlacadh chun críocha taighde eolaíochta

a proposal for a Council Directive on a specific procedure for admitting third-country nationals for purposes of scientific research

ar beart beartaithe é ar leagadh cóip de faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 6 Bealtaine, 2004.

a copy of which proposed measure was laid before Dáil Éireann on 6th May, 2004."

— *An tAire Dlí agus Cirt, Comhionannais agus Athchóirithe Dlí.*

15. "Go gceadaíonn Dáil Éireann téarmaí Ionstraimí Áirithe de Chomhdháil na bliana 1999 den Aontas Poist Uilechoiteann, a síníodh i mBéising, an 15 Meán Fómhair, 1999, eadhon:

That Dáil Éireann approves the terms of Certain Acts of the 1999 Congress of the Universal Postal Union, signed at Beijing on 15th September, 1999, namely:

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| — an Séú Prótacal Breise a ghabhann le Bunreacht an Aontais Poist Uilechoitinn;      | — the Sixth Additional Protocol to the Constitution of the Universal Postal Union; |
| — Rialacháin Ghinearálta an Aontais Poist Uilechoitinn;                              | — the General Regulations of the Universal Postal Union;                           |
| — an Coinbhinsiún Poist Uilechoiteann agus an Prótacal Deiridh a ghabhann leis; agus | — the Universal Postal Convention and the Final Protocol thereto; and              |
| — an Comhaontú um Sheirbhísí Íocaíochta Poist  | — the Postal Payment Services Agreement;   |

ar leagadh cóipeanna díobh faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 26ú lá de Bhealtaine, 2004. copies of which have been laid before Dáil Éireann on 26th day of May, 2004.”

— *An tAire Cumarsáide, Mara agus Acmhainní Nádirtha.*

16. “Go dtugann Dáil Éireann dá haire an Tuarascáil ón gComhchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan dar teideal ‘An Tuarascáil Deiridh ar an Tuarascáil ón gCoimisiún Fiosrúcháin Neamhspleách faoi bhua máil Bhaile Átha Cliath agus Mhuineacháin’, a leagadh faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 31 Márta, 2004. That Dáil Éireann notes the Report of the Joint Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women’s Rights entitled ‘Final Report on the Report of the Independent Commission of Inquiry into the Dublin and Monaghan Bombings’, which was laid before Dáil Éireann on 31st March, 2004.”

— *Seán Ardagh, Chairman of the Committee.*  
[1 April, 2004]

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### ORDUITHE AN LAE ORDERS OF THE DAY

17. Bille na Séadchomharthaí Náisiúnta (Leasú) 2004 — An Dara Céim (*atógáil*).  
National Monuments (Amendment) Bill 2004 — Second Stage (*resumed*).
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18. (l) An Bille um Bainistíocht na Seirbhíse Poiblí (Earcaíocht agus Ceapacháin) 2003 — Ordú don Tuarascáil.  
18. (a) Public Service Management (Recruitment and Appointments) Bill 2003 — Order for Report.
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19. (l) An Bille um Chosaint Mháithreachais (Leasú) 2003 [*Seanad*] — Ordú don Tuarascáil.  
(a) Maternity Protection (Amendment) Bill 2003 [*Seanad*] — Order for Report.
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20. (l) An Bille um Thionóntachtaí Cónaithe 2003 — Ordú don Tuarascáil.  
(a) Residential Tenancies Bill 2003 — Order for Report.
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21. An Bille um an gCúirt Choiriúil Idirnáisiúnta 2003 — An Dara Céim (*atógáil*).  
International Criminal Court Bill 2003 — Second Stage (*resumed*).
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22. An Bille um Chosaint Sceithirí 1999 — An Coiste.  
Whistleblowers Protection Bill 1999 — Committee.
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23. An Bille um Shlándaíl Mhuirí 2004 [*Seanad*] — Ordú don Tuarascáil.  
Maritime Security Bill 2004 [*Seanad*] — Order for Report.
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24. An Bille Ombudsman (Óglaigh na hÉireann) 2002 — Ordú don Tuarascáil.  
Ombudsman (Defence Forces) Bill 2002 — Order for Report.
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25. An Bille um Choimisiúin Imscrúdúcháin 2003 — Ordú don Tuarascáil.  
Commissions of Investigation Bill 2003 — Order for Report.
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26. An Bille um Dhumpáil ar Farrage (Leasú) 2000 [*Seanad*] — Ordú don Tuarascáil.  
Dumping at Sea (Amendment) Bill 2000 [*Seanad*] — Order for Report.
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27. An Bille um Fháiltais ó Choireacht (Leasú) 1999 — An Coiste.  
Proceeds of Crime (Amendment) Bill 1999 — Committee.
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28. Bille na bPaitinní (Leasú) 1999 — An Coiste.  
Patents (Amendment) Bill 1999 — Committee.
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29. An Bille um Shábháilteacht Iarnróid 2001 — Ordú don Tuarascáil.  
Railway Safety Bill 2001 — Order for Report.
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*Tairiscint (atógáil):*

*Motion (resumed):*

30. “Go ndéanann Dáil Éireann, de bhun Bhuan-Ordú 63A,

1. Á thabhairt dá haire an fhaisnéis seo a leanas ón Aire Dlí agus Cirt, Comhionannais agus Athchóirithe Dlí:

(a) go ndearna an Garda Síochána, i mí Lúnasa 2001, ar fhaisnéis a fháil ó Interpol ar faisnéis í a fuair *The United States Postal Inspection Service* le linn cuardaigh ar áitreabh in Fort Worth, Texas, a bhain le mionsonraí custaiméirí líomhnaithe cuideachta a raibh rochtain á tairiscint aici ar shuímh idirlín pornagrafaíochta leanaí, tús a chur le hoibríocht i ndáil le daoine ón dlínse seo a líomhnaíodh a bheith aitheanta amhlaidh,

(b) go raibh san áireamh sna mionsonraí sin ainmneacha, pasfhocail agus mionsonraí cárta creidmheasa agus cárta muirir daoine áirithe,

(c) go raibh duine darb ainm *Brian Curtin*, 35 *Ashe Street, Tralee, Co. Kerry*, ar dhuine de na daoine ón dlínse seo a ainmníodh amhlaidh agus gur léirigh fiosrúcháin dá éis sin gurbh é Brian Curtin, Breitheamh den Chúirt Chuarda, agus seoladh tí cónaithe 24 Ard na Lí, Trá Lí, Co. Chiarraí aige, an duine sin,

That Dáil Éireann, pursuant to Standing Order 63A,

1. Noting the following information from the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform:

(a) that the Garda Síochána in August 2001, on receipt of information from Interpol obtained by the United States Postal Inspection Service during a search of premises in Fort Worth, Texas, concerning details of alleged customers of a company offering access to child pornography websites, commenced an operation in relation to persons allegedly so identified from this jurisdiction,

(b) that these details included the names, passwords and credit card and charge card details of certain persons,

(c) that one of the persons from this jurisdiction so named was a Brian Curtin, 35 Ashe Street, Tralee, Co. Kerry, and that subsequent enquiries indicated that this person was Brian Curtin, Judge of the Circuit Court, with a home address of 24 Ard na Lí, Tralee, Co Kerry,

(d) go ndearna an Chúirt Dúiche barántas chun teach cónaithe an Bhreithimh Curtin a chuardach faoi alt 7 den Acht um Gháinneáil ar Leanaí agus Pornagrafaíocht Leanaí 1998 a eisiúint de bhun iarratais ó chomhalta den Gharda Síochána an 20 Bealtaine 2002,

(e) go ndearnadh cuardach ar theach cónaithe an Bhreithimh Curtin dá éis sin de bhun an bharántais sin agus gur ghlac Gardaí seilbh ar ríomhaire pearsanta agus ar ábhar eile le linn an chuardaigh,

(f) gur chuir údaráis an Gharda comhad imscrúdaithe faoi bhráid an Stiúrthóra Ionchúiseamh Poiblí i mí Dheireadh Fómhair 2002, agus gur threoraigh an Stiúrthóir Ionchúiseamh Poiblí go ndéanfaí an Breitheamh Curtin a ionchúiseamh as pornagrafaíocht leanaí a bheith ina sheilbh go feasach contrártha d'alt 6 den Acht um Gháinneáil ar Leanaí agus Pornagrafaíocht Leanaí 1998,

(g) gur thosaigh triail an chúisimh sin an 20 Aibreán 2004 i gCúirt Chuarda Thrá Lí agus go bhfuarthas an Breitheamh Curtin neamhchiontach sa chúiseamh sin an 23 Aibreán 2004 gan fianaise a bheith tugtha i ndáil le hábhar an chúisimh, tar éis don Chúirt Chuarda Choiriúil a chinneadh go raibh an barántas sin a dúradh imithe in éag nuair a forghníomhaíodh é i dteach cónaithe an Bhreithimh Curtin.

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2. A éileamh go ndéanfar, de bhun Airteagal 35.4 den Bhunreacht agus alt 39 den Acht Cúirteanna Breithiúnais 1924, an tOnórach an Breitheamh Brian Curtin, Breitheamh den Chúirt Chuarda, a chur as oifig de dheasca mí-iompair a luafar, arb é atá i gceist ann a chuid iompair maidir le síntiús a thabhairt do shuímh idirlín ar a raibh íomhánna pornagrafaíochta leanaí, rochtain a fháil ar na suímh sin agus na suímh sin a úsáid agus i ndáil leis na nithe sin agus é féin a fhágáil mí-oiriúnach dá dheasca sin chun oifig Breithimh den Chúirt Chuarda a fheidhmiú.

(d) that a warrant to search Judge Curtin's home under section 7 of the Child Trafficking and Pornography Act 1998 issued from the District Court on foot of an application by a member of the Garda Síochána on 20 May 2002,

(e) that Judge Curtin's home was subsequently searched on foot of the said warrant and that Gardaí took possession of a personal computer and other material during the search,

(f) that an investigation file was submitted to the Director of Public Prosecutions by the Garda authorities in October 2002 and that the Director of Public Prosecutions instructed that Judge Curtin be prosecuted for knowingly having in his possession child pornography contrary to section 6 of the Child Trafficking and Pornography Act 1998,

(g) that the trial of the said charge commenced on 20 April 2004 at Tralee Circuit Court and that on 23 April 2004 Judge Curtin was found not guilty of that charge without evidence being given in relation to the subject matter of the charge, the Circuit Criminal Court having determined that the aforesaid warrant was spent when executed at the home of Judge Curtin.

and

2. Calls for the removal, pursuant to Article 35.4 of the Constitution and section 39 of the Courts of Justice Act 1924, of His Honour Judge Brian Curtin, Judge of the Circuit Court, from office for stated misbehaviour, being his conduct in and in relation to subscribing to, accessing and use of websites containing child pornographic images and thereby rendering himself unsuitable to exercise the office of a Judge of the Circuit Court."

— *An tAire Dlí agus Cirt, Comhionannais agus Athchóirithe Dlí.*



31. Tairiscintí Airgeadais ón Aire Airgeadais [2003] (*Tairiscint 5, atógáil*).  
Financial Motions by the Minister for Finance [2003] (*Motion 5, resumed*).

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32. Tairiscintí Airgeadais ón Aire Airgeadais [2002] (*Tairiscint 11, atógáil*).  
Financial Motions by the Minister for Finance [2002] (*Motion 11, resumed*).

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### GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

*Gnó a ordáíodh:*  
*Business ordered:*

33. An Bille um Misin Síochána Idirnáisiúnta 2003 — An Dara Céim.  
International Peace Missions Bill 2003 — Second Stage.  
— *Gay Mitchell and Dinny McGinley*.

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34. An Bille um Fheirmeoireacht Fionnaidh (Toirmeasc) 2004 — An Dara Céim.  
Fur Farming (Prohibition) Bill 2004 — Second Stage.  
— *Dan Boyle*.

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35. An Bille um Bainistiú Dramhaíola (Leasú) 2003 — An Dara Céim.  
Waste Management (Amendment) Bill 2003 — Second Stage.  
— *Arthur Morgan*.

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36. An Bille um Thoghcháin Áitiúla 2003 — An Dara Céim.  
Local Elections Bill 2003 — Second Stage.  
— *Eamon Gilmore*.

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37. An Bille um Atáirgeadh Daonna 2003 — An Dara Céim.  
Human Reproduction Bill 2003 — Second Stage.  
— *Mary Upton*.

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38. An Bille um Chlárú Brústocairí 2003 — An Dara Céim.  
Registration of Lobbyists Bill 2003 — Second Stage.  
— *Pat Rabbitte*.

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*Fógraí Tairisceana:*  
*Notices of Motions:*

39. “That Dáil Éireann:

- condemns the Fianna Fáil/Progressive Democrats Government for its incompetence and mismanagement in its handling of the Nitrates Directive;
- denounces this Government for its failure to take any action on implementing this Directive from 1997 to date, and for failing to build on the 1996 Code of Agricultural Practice to Protect Water from Pollution by Nitrates;
- recognises that this Directive will place severe financial burdens on farmers in its implementation, estimated to be over €1 billion annually; and
- expresses its concern that this Directive will threaten the continued livelihood of Ireland’s most productive and efficient farmers due to the storage and stocking densities, which will result from this Directive;

calls on the Fianna Fáil/Progressive Democrats Government to:

- explain the scientific basis underlying the current Government proposals for nitrogen levels and storage periods; and

- seek an increased nitrogen level of 210 kg/hectare and derogations up to 250 kg/hectare on a countrywide basis.” — *Billy Timmins, Enda Kenny, Richard Bruton, Bernard Allen, Pat Breen, John Bruton, Paul Connaughton, Simon Coveney, Seymour Crawford, John Deasy, Jimmy Deenihan, Bernard J. Durkan, Damien English, Olwyn Enright, Tom Hayes, Phil Hogan, Paul Kehoe, Padraic McCormack, Dinny McGinley, Paul McGrath, Gay Mitchell, Olivia Mitchell, Gerard Murphy, Denis Naughten, Dan Neville, Michael Noonan, Fergus O’Dowd, Jim O’Keeffe, John Perry, Michael Ring, David Stanton.* [18 June, 2004]
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**40.** “That Dáil Éireann resolves to annul Statutory Instrument number 264 of 2003 (Freedom of Information Act 1997 (Fees) Regulations 2003) with immediate effect.” — *Enda Kenny.* [2 July, 2003]

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**41.** “That Dáil Éireann:

- conscious of the commitments made by this State in signing the Good Friday Agreement to ‘further strengthen the protection of human rights in this jurisdiction’ and to ‘initiate a widespread review of the Offences Against the State Acts 1939 - 1985 with a view to both reform and dispensing with those elements no longer required as circumstances permit’;
  - conscious of the fact that in the intervening five years not only has the Government failed to reform the emergency legislation as required, it has instead done the exact opposite by further expanding emergency powers under the Offences Against the State (Amendment) Act of 1998;
  - conscious of the corrosive effect of the operation of emergency legislation on human rights, civil liberties, and democratic life in this State — particularly during the protracted periods of its non-emergency operation over six decades, and specifically in the current period following the Good Friday Agreement;
  - conscious of the fact that the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform has utterly failed to demonstrate that the operation of this legislation is presently necessary to the security of the people of this State:
    - resolves that the continuing operation of emergency legislation is not warranted; and
    - further calls on the Government to repeal in their entirety the Offences Against the State Acts 1939 - 1998 at the earliest practicable date.” — *Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin, Seán Crowe, Martin Ferris, Arthur Morgan, Aengus Ó Snodaigh.* [2 July, 2003]
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**42.** “That Dáil Éireann resolves that the Freedom of Information Act 1997 (Fees) Regulations 2003 (S.I. No. 264 of 2003) made by the Minister for Finance on the 30th June, 2003, be and are hereby annulled.” — *Joan Burton, Pat Rabbitte, Liz McManus, Emmet Stagg, Thomas P. Broughan, Joe Costello, Eamon Gilmore, Michael D. Higgins, Brendan Howlin, Kathleen Lynch, Breeda Moynihan-Cronin, Brian O’Shea, Jan O’Sullivan, Seamus Pattison, Willie Penrose, Ruairi Quinn, Seán Ryan, Joe Sherlock, Róisín Shortall, Mary Upton, Jack Wall.* [30 September, 2003]

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**43.** “That Dáil Éireann:

- recalling the apology given by the Taoiseach on the 11th May, 1999, to the victims of childhood abuse, in the following terms:

- *‘On behalf of the State and of all citizens of the State, the Government wishes to make a sincere and long overdue apology to the victims. Abuse ruined their childhoods and has been an ever present part of their adult lives, reminding them of a time when they were helpless. I want to say to them that we believe that they were gravely wronged and that we must do all we can to overcome the lasting effects of their ordeals.*
- *What the Government has decided on today is not a break with the past; it is a facing up to the past and all that this involves. This may well be a painful process; but it can not and should not be avoided.*
- *This country has a lot to be proud of. We are developing in many ways and for the first time we are seeing movement on a range of serious problems. But we cannot truly advance unless we acknowledge and deal with the more uncomfortable elements of our past. Only when we do this will we have matured as a self-confident and inclusive society . . .*
- *‘The time has long since arrived when we must take up the challenge which the victims of childhood abuse have given us all. A new, comprehensive approach is required to dealing with both the effects and prevention of this abuse.’;*
- further recalling the announcement of the same day of a Commission to Inquire into Abuse of Children, the subsequent appointment of Ms. Justice Mary Laffoy as Chairperson of the Commission and the statements of the then Minister for Education and Science that the Commission *‘will be specifically mandated to carry out a thorough and comprehensive inquiry into allegations and establish responsibility at the level of the individual abuser, the institution and management and regulatory authorities’* and that *‘the Committee will have available to it the resources and all the legal powers and protections it needs to do this’;*
- noting the clear mandate given to the Commission by the enactment of the Commission to Inquire into Child Abuse Act 2000 (as amended by the Residential Institutions Redress Act 2002), including in particular the mandate *‘to provide, for persons who have suffered abuse in childhood in institutions during the relevant period, an opportunity to recount the abuse, and make submissions, to a Committee’* and the requirement that the Commission and its committees must bear in mind *‘the need of persons who have suffered abuse in childhood to recount to others such abuse, their difficulties in so doing and the potential beneficial effect on them of so doing’;*
- acknowledging the commitment and integrity of Ms. Justice Laffoy and the high esteem in which she is held and continues to be held, especially by those connected with the Commission and those who appeared before her;
- condemning the Government’s treatment of the requests of Ms. Justice Laffoy for the resources necessary to enable the Commission adequately to fulfil its statutory obligations and, in particular, the Government’s effective rejection of the proposals put forward by the Commission on the 8th November, 2002, for parallel hearings in four divisions, conducted on a modular basis, which would in its estimation have seen matters conclude by mid 2005;
- acknowledging with regret that Ms. Justice Laffoy has felt compelled to give notice of her intention to resign as Chairperson of the Commission, due to the fact that, in her own words, *‘since its establishment, the Commission has never been properly enabled by the Government to fulfil satisfactorily the functions conferred on it by the Oireachtas’;*
- noting that the Taoiseach publicly accepted the criticisms articulated by Ms. Justice Laffoy in her letter of the 2nd September, 2003, a position contradicted by the Government’s subsequent response to her letter of resignation;

- deploring the Government's handling of the resignation of Ms. Justice Laffoy, in particular the attempts by the Government to misrepresent its own position and to undermine both the Commission's Chairperson, the Commission itself and the Oireachtas mandate of the Commission;
- believing that the issue of the costs of the Commission has been allowed by the Government to achieve a spurious primacy over the mandate which the Commission received from the Oireachtas:—
  - demands that the Government publish the findings of the review of the Commission completed on 26th February and publish the Heads of a Bill brought to Cabinet by the Minister for Education and Science which were approved by Government on 8th April, together with all Government memoranda and Departmental observations;
  - rejects:
    - apparent proposals for a 'sampling' method to be applied to the investigation of abuse, which would entirely fail to discharge the Taoiseach's undertaking to victims of abuse in 1999 to '*do all we can to overcome the lasting effects of their ordeals*',
    - the proposal floated that, in lieu of the proper investigation of childhood abuse complaints as provided for in the legislation, alleged abusers might instead be summoned to attend before the Confidential Committee of the Commission, a body with no mandate or legal capacity to establish the truth or otherwise of allegations or to make any findings of fact, and
    - an apparent proposal that the number and type of residential institutions to be investigated by the Commission be drastically reduced;
  - deplores as negligent and profligate the deed of indemnity agreed between the Government and certain religious orders on the 5th June, 2002, and in particular the facts that the agreement was drafted by solicitors for those orders and not in the Attorney General's Office; that the agreement was neither debated in nor approved by this House; that former Minister Michael Woods, T.D., was unaccompanied by Government law officers at critical negotiating meetings; that the Department of Finance had recommended a 50/50 apportionment of liability between Church and State but this recommendation was ignored; that all costs of whatever kind, contemplated or not, in excess of €128m will instead be borne by the Exchequer; that approximately one third of the €128m to be contributed by the orders is to comprise property already donated to the State; and that the Attorney General was not involved in the finalisation of the deed of indemnity;
- condemns as incompetence on a monumental scale the fact that, four months after the Government had purportedly agreed to additional resources for the Commission, to enable it to implement its proposals of the 8th November, 2002, and just one week after the Government had approved recommendations arising from its first review of the Commission's operations and designed to control costs, Minister Dempsey then returned to Government to secure a second review whose net effects will be to:
  - remove the entitlement to a hearing from the vast majority of abuse victims,
  - further extend the timeframe within which the Commission will complete its work, and
  - force disappointed victims from the Commission to the High Court, with consequent increased expense which the taxpayer must cover;
- acknowledges the fact that several thousand of our fellow citizens, who were exposed under grossly inadequate State supervision to differing types and degrees of physical

injury, sexual abuse and continuing injury to mental and emotional wellbeing, have now been further betrayed in their expectations by the Government's mishandling of this situation and that the delay and uncertainty arising therefrom have caused additional and unnecessary distress and suffering for many; and

- concludes that the Government collectively, as well as the present and former Ministers for Education and Science individually, was neither open nor transparent in its dealings with the Commission and the victims of childhood abuse; that it was at no stage motivated solely by a concern to achieve justice for those who had been denied it for so long; and that all Government members in consequence share responsibility for the present disastrous state of affairs.” — *Pat Rabbitte, Liz McManus, Emmet Stagg, Thomas P. Broughan, Joan Burton, Joe Costello, Eamon Gilmore, Michael D. Higgins, Brendan Howlin, Kathleen Lynch, Breeda Moynihan-Cronin, Brian O'Shea, Jan O'Sullivan, Seamus Pattison, Willie Penrose, Ruairi Quinn, Seán Ryan, Joe Sherlock, Róisín Shortall, Mary Upton, Jack Wall.*  
[30 September, 2003]

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44. “That Dáil Éireann:

- deplores the fundamentally flawed waste management policy of the Government as implemented by the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, Martin Cullen, T.D., which has:
  - led directly to the current situation of confrontation in Dublin and to the imprisonment of bin charges protesters, including elected representatives who should be released,
  - deprived elected representatives on local authorities of powers to determine waste management policy,
  - empowered and encouraged city and county managers to refuse to collect refuse from homes who have not paid the bin tax or who are in arrears, thereby creating a serious health hazard,
  - compounded the double taxation of refuse charges, and
  - facilitated the privatisation of waste management and other local authority services; and
- demands that the Minister bring forward without delay legislation to amend the Protection of the Environment Act 2003 to ensure that local authorities fulfil their responsibility for public health and safety and provide a refuse collection service to all householders and replaces refuse charges on householders with the proper application of the polluter pays principle to target the main producers of waste as part of a comprehensive and effective waste management strategy.” — *Arthur Morgan, Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin, Seán Crowe, Martin Ferris, Aengus Ó Snodaigh.*  
[30 September, 2003]

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45. “That Dáil Éireann:

- notes a whole series of debacles during the summer recess which displays this Government's ineptitude:
  - the incompetent handling of the review of the Laffoy Commission and the resultant resignation of Justice Laffoy;
  - the series of crises at Accident and Emergency departments which can only get worse in the winter months;

- Ireland coming bottom of the OECD league table for secondary level education expenditure and the axing of childcare for VTOS students;
- the renegeing on election promises for a focused school-building programme;
- the €9 million windfall for a developer in Co. Louth in a rezoning decision that will quadruple a village's population;
- the chaotic situation with regard to local authority refuse collection, particularly in Dublin;
- the continuously delayed construction of the Luas and the non-event that was car-free day;
- the war of words between the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform and Gardaí and allegations of ill-treatment in Garda custody;
- the granting of planning permission to the ESB for developments at Moneypoint which will increase its output of greenhouse gases by 126,000 tonnes a year;
- the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government's opposition to the ban on smoking in the workplace; and
- the disastrous fish kills on the Donegal coast;
- calls on the Government to:
  - put an independent body in place to oversee the Laffoy Commission's work because of the Department of Education and Science's conflict of interest;
  - publish without further delay the Hanley Report on the health services;
  - provide increased resources for education, particularly at earlier stages where inequalities take root which are reflected much later in third level participation rates;
  - make it clear to the licensing trade that the ban on smoking will be implemented in full;
  - drop its incineration-led policy on waste disposal and introduce proper recycling systems and incentives to recycle and reduce waste generation;
  - restore confidence in the Gardaí by introducing an independent complaints board which could deal with complaints from the public, or indeed, from the Minister;
  - tackle the long-standing environmental problems with fish farms and research alternative less-intensive aquaculture systems;
  - join the Luas lines with an on-street tram line and to re-open the Western Rail corridor;
  - adopt a coherent approach to reducing greenhouse gas emissions including a revenue-neutral carbon tax; and
  - reverse immediately its opposition to the Green Party bill which would restrict rezoning to lands that are publicly owned.' — *Trevor Sargent, John Gormley, Dan Boyle, Ciarán Cuffe, Paul Gogarty, Eamon Ryan.*

[30 September, 2003]

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46. “That Dáil Éireann agrees that all necessary steps should be taken to allow Deputy Joe Higgins a temporary release from prison in order to attend Dáil Éireann to fulfill his obligations as a Dáil Deputy and as Leader of the Independent Group under the Constitution.” — *Tony Gregory, James Breen, Paudge Connolly, Jerry Cowley, Marian Harkin, Seamus Healy, Finian McGrath, Paddy McHugh, Liam Twomey.*

[7 October, 2003]

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47. “That Dáil Éireann notes the failure of the Government to sanction the construction of a new Cork School of Music, despite a Government announcement of its development before the general election in early 2002 and now calls on the Government to proceed with the project without further delay in view of the hardship to students and staff alike because of the unsafe and overcrowded conditions that they are working and studying under and in view of the Comptroller and Auditor General’s Report on the project.” — *Bernard Allen, Simon Coveney, Gerard Murphy, Jim O’Keeffe, David Stanton.*

[7 October, 2003]

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48. “That Dáil Éireann, in regard to the National Monument at Carrickmines Castle in Dún Laoghaire Rathdown and South Dublin:

— notes the decision of the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government to place an Order before it on 3rd July, 2003 under section 14 of the National Monuments Act 1930 allowing the Government to:

— demolish or remove wholly or in part or to disfigure, deface, alter or in any manner to injure or interfere with any such national monument without or otherwise than the consent hereinafter mentioned, and

— excavate, dig, plough, or otherwise disturb ground within, around, or in proximity to any such national monument without or otherwise than in accordance with the consent hereafter mentioned;

— acknowledges that under section 15 of the National Monuments (Amendment) Act 1994, an Order annulling the Order can be passed by Dáil Éireann within the next twenty-one days on which that House has sat after the Order is laid before it, the Order shall be annulled accordingly, but without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done thereunder; and

— resolves that the Order shall be annulled and calls on the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, in conjunction with the relevant agencies, to modify the route and junction layout if necessary of the proposed south eastern motorway in the vicinity of the National Monument so as to re-route the road to the south west of the substantial Castle remains.” — *Ciarán Cuffe, Trevor Sargent, John Gormley, Dan Boyle, Paul Gogarty, Eamon Ryan.*

[14 October, 2003]

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49. “That Dáil Éireann noting the appalling conditions of disadvantage and violence being endured by the street children of Central America, calls on the Irish Government to take all possible diplomatic action to ensure that the plight of street children in Guatemala and Honduras is recognised and acted on, and that the Irish Government through the Department of Foreign Affairs and relevant agencies, take appropriate steps to reduce the threat of violence and improve the living conditions of children in these countries.” — *Ciarán Cuffe, Trevor Sargent, John Gormley, Dan Boyle, Paul Gogarty, Eamon Ryan.*

[14 October, 2003]

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**50.** “That Fine Gael condemns the Minister for Agriculture and Food for his recent attack on farm leaders and calls on him to:

- withdraw the remarks;
- reject the proposals on live cattle exports put forward by the EU Commission, which have the potential to cost the agriculture sector two hundred million euro;
- seek clarification from the EU’s Food and Veterinary Office (FVO) on deficiencies in the Brazilian and Argentinean beef industries;
- protect the funding for installation aid;
- establish a code of practice for the Special Investigation Unit of the Department of Agriculture and Food; and
- ensure the implementation of ‘The Charter of Rights for Farmers’.” — *Billy Timmins, Enda Kenny, Richard Bruton, Bernard Allen, Pat Breen, John Bruton, Paul Connaughton, Simon Coveney, Seymour Crawford, John Deasy, Bernard J. Durkan, Damien English, Olwyn Enright, Tom Hayes, Phil Hogan, Paul Kehoe, Padraic McCormack, Dinny McGinley, Paul McGrath, Gay Mitchell, Olivia Mitchell, Gerard Murphy, Denis Naughten, Dan Neville, Michael Noonan, Fergus O’Dowd, Jim O’Keefe, John Perry, Michael Ring, David Stanton.*

[21 October, 2003]

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**51.** “That Dáil Éireann:

- recognising the important role of section 481 incentives in developing the film industry in Ireland;
- noting that similar incentive schemes are available in other countries with whom Ireland competes for projects;
- concerned that the abolition of incentives would result in significant job losses in the whole film sector;

calls on the Government to maintain and develop supports for the film industry and to retain the section 481 incentives in the 2004 Budget.” — *Ciarán Cuffe, Eamon Ryan, Trevor Sargent, John Gormley, Dan Boyle, Paul Gogarty.*

[4 November, 2003]

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**52.** “That Dáil Éireann:

- recognising the considerable benefits in terms of employment and overseas recognition that derive to Ireland from a thriving film industry;
- concerned at the failure of the Government to conduct any analysis of the benefits of film tax relief;
- alarmed at the negative impact on the industry should such relief be withdrawn, and
- demands the urgent production of a sectoral development plan for the industry which would deal with:
  - Ireland’s competitiveness as a location for filmmaking,
  - the linkages between indigenous and inward film production,
  - the opportunity to attract strategic elements of the industry to locate in Ireland, and
  - the proper balance between tax based investor relief and alternative forms of State support or participation; and,



- proposes the suspension of the termination date for film tax relief of 31st December, 2004, for a period that would allow the State to take a strategic overview of the optimum approach to the industry.” — *Jimmy Deenihan, Enda Kenny, Richard Bruton, Bernard Allen, Pat Breen, John Bruton, Paul Connaughton, Simon Coveney, Seymour Crawford, John Deasy, Bernard J. Durkan, Damien English, Olwyn Enright, Tom Hayes, Phil Hogan, Paul Kehoe, Padraic McCormack, Dinny McGinley, Paul McGrath, Gay Mitchell, Olivia Mitchell, Gerard Murphy, Denis Naughten, Dan Neville, Michael Noonan, Fergus O’Dowd, Jim O’Keeffe, John Perry, Michael Ring, David Stanton, Billy Timmins.* [12 November, 2003]

**53. “That Dáil Éireann:**

- notes the following alarming list of crises for which the Government must bear full responsibility:
  - the continuing deterioration at accident and emergency departments, where patients may now be considered lucky to get a trolley with many spending days on chairs waiting for admission;
  - more allegations of ill-treatment in Garda custody and the continued failure of the Government to introduce an independent body to deal with complaints;
  - the failure of the Government, for yet another year, to introduce energy taxes despite the fact that Ireland is the country seventh most dependent on fossil fuels and mounting evidence of the devastating effects of global warming on the planet’s species;
  - the damage to confidence in the process of public consultation resulting from the decision by An Bord Pleanála to allow Government policy to override the recommendations of its experts and to grant permission for the toxic waste incinerator at Ringaskiddy;
  - the stalling of the Medical Practitioners Bill despite increasing evidence of the dangers to patients of negligence within the health service;
  - the refusal of the Government to respond to genuine concerns about the system of electronic voting it is adopting, leaving the country to face local and European elections in June in which there is no way of proving that the results are correct;
  - the absence of any coherence between Government policies on spatial strategy and decentralisation; and
  - repeated discord within the cabinet over the smoking ban, the Hanly report, incinerators and the indemnity agreement with the churches with regard to child abuse;
- calls on the Government to:
  - drop the Hanly Report as the basis for reform of the health service and to reverse the downgrading of local hospitals;
  - restore public confidence in the Gardaí by introducing a genuinely independent complaints board;
  - adopt as soon as possible a revenue-neutral carbon tax to reduce greenhouse gas emissions;
  - drop its proposed Infrastructure Bill which is being used to bully An Bord Pleanála into compliance with the Government’s wishes;
  - ensure that the Medical Practitioners Bill is brought before the Oireachtas at the earliest opportunity;

- alter the electronic voting system to provide a paper record of votes so that disputed results may be verified; and
- halt and review the programme of decentralisation of Government Departments in order to co-ordinate with the National Spatial Strategy and to undertake a process of real decentralisation of decision-making powers to regional and local authorities.” — *Trevor Sargent, Dan Boyle, Ciaran Cuffe, Paul Gogarty, John Gormley, Eamon Ryan.*

[20 January, 2004]

**54.** “Go dtathantaíonn Dáil Éireann ar an Rialtas:

- a chur in iúl don Chomhairle Airí gur mian leis an Rialtas go mbeidh an Ghaeilge ina teanga oibre oifigiúil den Aontas Eorpach; agus
- a iarraidh ar an gCoimisiún Eorpach an leasú cuí ar Rialachán 1, 1958, a dhréachtú agus a chur faoi bhráid na Comhairle Airí.

— *Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin, Aengus Ó Snodaigh, Seán Crowe, Martin Ferris, Arthur Morgan.*

[20 January, 2004]

That Dáil Éireann urges the Government to:

- inform the Council of Ministers that the Government wishes the Irish language to be an official working language of the European Union; and
- request the European Commission to draft and put before the Council of Ministers the appropriate amendment to Regulation 1, 1958.”

**55.** “That Dáil Éireann:

- notes the recommendations of the Constituency Commission published in January, 2004 to divide County Leitrim between the two proposed new constituencies of Sligo/North Leitrim and Roscommon/South Leitrim;
- notes section 6(2)(c) of the Electoral Act 1997 which states ‘the breaching of County boundaries shall be avoided as far as practicable’;
- recognises that larger constituency size adds the quality of extra proportionality to the electoral system as a whole;

calls on the Government to:

- reject the findings of the Constituency Commission in relation to County Leitrim;
- amend section 6(2)(b) of the Electoral Act of 1997 to allow for the formation of six and seven seat constituencies; and
- reconvene the Constituency Commission to consider the possibility of establishing one six seat constituency comprising the three counties of Sligo, Leitrim and Roscommon.” — *Arthur Morgan, Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin, Seán Crowe, Martin Ferris, Aengus Ó Snodaigh.*

[4 May, 2004]

**56.** “That Dáil Éireann:

recognising the urgent need for a radical reappraisal of animal welfare in this State particularly in the context of:

- the appalling conditions recently exposed on so-called ‘puppy-farms’ in Ireland, conditions which are not tolerated in any other E.U. country;
- the growth in fur farming in Ireland including that artic fox confined in inhumane and unnatural conditions, electrocuted at 6 months without veterinary supervision, a practice that has been made illegal in the north of Ireland and Britain;

- the on-going hunting with packs of hounds of deer reared/farmed in captivity (a practice outlawed in the north of Ireland on the grounds of cruelty) despite the Kane Report of the Department of Agriculture’s Veterinary Inspector which referred to it being ‘inhumane’ the deer ‘terrified’ and that it could be argued legally that this contravenes the Protection of Animals Act 1911;
- the on-going practice of enclosed live hare coursing (recently banned in the north of Ireland) inflicting cruelty and terror on the most timid of small animals;
- the use of packs of hounds for the hunting and killing of foxes along with various associated abuses the most extreme being the bleeding of hounds on fox-cubs — all of which is now being banned in Britain;
- the increasing numbers of shooters coming to this country indiscriminately destroying many species of wild-birds;
- abuses related to live exports of farm animals; and

resolves to act in each of the cases set out above and where appropriate outlaw such activities and ensure that only the highest standards in animal welfare shall be permitted forthwith in Ireland.” — *Tony Gregory*.

[18 May, 2004]

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**57.** “That Dáil Éireann:

- acknowledges that the Irish Government policy of assisting hundreds of thousands of US troops to participate in the illegal invasion and occupation of Iraq has resulted in tens of thousands of deaths including the killing of approximately 10,000 civilians and nearly 900 occupation troops including approximately 800 American soldiers;
- acknowledges that Irish assistance in this war has contributed to a situation where thousands of people including children are being injured or killed by exploding cluster bombs, and the main cities of Iraq are poisoned with radiation from uranium tipped shells and missiles;
- acknowledges that the alleged threat that provided the justification for war and for Irish assistance — the imminent danger posed by Iraqi weapons of mass destruction — has since proved to be false;
- expresses its horror at all deaths, atrocities and human rights violations associated with this war, and extends its sympathies to all survivors and condolences to all families affected;
- expresses its anger at the cost of this war to date, including an estimated spend of over \$100 billion by the US alone — which could have been better spent in the war on global poverty, hunger and disease;
- expresses its revulsion at the torture and killing of Iraqi prisoners of war by US and British occupation troops, and its support for independent human rights monitors including Amnesty International and the United Nations to gain immediate access to all detention facilities in Iraq;
- resolves that the circumstances warrant the immediate suspension of overflight and landing privileges granted by the Government to military and civilian chartered aircraft conveying US troops to Iraq, and instructs the Government to act accordingly;
- calls on the Irish people to peacefully register their opposition to the occupation of Iraq and to Irish collusion in that occupation on the occasion of the US President’s visit to Ireland during the US-EU Summit; and

- instructs the Government to spare no effort in international diplomacy both under the EU Presidency and as a sovereign state to ensure a speedy end to the occupation of Iraq by the so-called Coalition of the Willing, that the transition to Iraqi democratic self-government is managed by the United Nations, that any associated UN peacekeeping force be led by troops from the Arab nations, and that all those responsible for war crimes in relation to this conflict be brought to justice in accordance with international law, regardless of their position or rank.”  
 — *Caoimhghín Ó Caoláin, Seán Crowe, Martin Ferris, Arthur Morgan, Aengus Ó Snodaigh.* [19 May, 2004]

- 58.** An Dáil a chur ar athló.  
 Adjournment of the Dáil.

**BILLÍ I ROGHCHOISTÍ, I gCOISTÍ SPEISIALTA NÓ I gCOMHCHOISTÍ**  
**BILLS IN SELECT, SPECIAL OR JOINT COMMITTEES**

An Bille um Cheartas Coiriúil (Cionta Sceimhlitheoireachta) 2002 — An Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan.  
 Criminal Justice (Terrorist Offences) Bill 2002 — Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women’s Rights.

An Bille um an Oifig Náisiúnta d’Fhorbairt Eacnamaíoch agus Shóisialach 2002 — An Roghchoiste um Airgeadas agus an tSeirbhís Phoiblí.  
 National Economic and Social Development Office Bill 2002 — Select Committee on Finance and the Public Service.

An Bille um Chomhlachas Forbartha Idirnáisiúnta (Leasú) 2003 — An Roghchoiste um Airgeadas agus an tSeirbhís Phoiblí.  
 International Development Association (Amendment) Bill 2003 — Select Committee on Finance and the Public Service.

(l) An Bille um Chomhionannas 2004 [*Seanad*] — An Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan.  
 (a) Equality Bill 2004 [*Seanad*] — Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women’s Rights.

(l) An Bille Leictreachais (Soláthar) (Leasú) 2004 [*Seanad*] — An Roghchoiste um Chumarsáid, Muir agus Acmhainní Nádurtha.  
 (a) Electricity (Supply) (Amendment) Bill 2004 [*Seanad*] — Select Committee on Communications, Marine and Natural Resources.

An Bille um Thruailliú na Farraiige (Substaintí Guaiseacha agus Díobhálacha) (Dliteanas Sibhialta agus Cúiteamh) 2000 — An Roghchoiste um Chumarsáid, Muir agus Acmhainní Nádurtha.  
 Sea Pollution (Hazardous and Noxious Substances) (Civil Liability and Compensation) Bill 2000 — Select Committee on Communications, Marine and Natural Resources.

An Bille um Thruailliú na Farraiige (Forálacha Ilghnéitheacha) 2003 [*Seanad*] — An Roghchoiste um Chumarsáid, Muir agus Acmhainní Nádurtha.  
 Sea Pollution (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2003 [*Seanad*] — Select Committee on Communications, Marine and Natural Resources.

**TEACHTAIREACHTAÍ ÓN RIALTAS**  
**MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNMENT**

An Bille um Chomhionannas 2004.  
Equality Bill 2004.

For the purpose of Article 17.2 of the Constitution, the Government recommend that it is expedient to authorise such payments out of moneys provided by the Oireachtas as are necessary to give effect to any Act of the present session to amend the Employment Equality Act 1998 and Equal Status Act 2000 for the purpose of making further and better provision in relation to equality of treatment in the workplace and elsewhere; to give effect to Council Directive 2000/43/EC of 29 June 2000 implementing the principle of equal treatment between persons irrespective of racial or ethnic origin, Council Directive 2000/78/EC of 27 November 2000 establishing a general framework for equal treatment in employment and occupation and Directive 2002/73/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2002 amending Council Directive 76/207/EEC on the implementation of the principle of equal treatment for men and women as regards access to employment, vocational training and promotion, and working conditions; and to revoke in part and enact in respect of proceedings under this Act the European Communities (Burden of Proof in Gender Discrimination Cases) Regulations 2001, which gave effect to Council Directive 97/80/EC of 15 December 1997 on the burden of proof in cases of discrimination based on sex.

Given on this 18th day of June, 2004

*(Signed)* Mary Harney,  
Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment.

**MEMORANDA**

*Dé Máirt, 22 Meitheamh, 2004*  
*Tuesday, 22nd June, 2004*

Cruinniú den Roghchoiste um Chumarsáid, Muir agus Acmhainní Nádúrtha i Seomra Coiste 1, LH2000, ar 2.30 p.m.  
Meeting of the Select Committee on Communications, Marine and Natural Resources in Committee Room 1, LH2000, at 2.30 p.m.

**An Bille um Chomhionannas 2004:**  
**Equality Bill 2004:**

Cruinniú den Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan i Seomra Coiste 2, LH2000, ar 2.30 p.m.  
Meeting of the Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 2.30 p.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eachtracha i Seomra Coiste 3, LH2000, ar 3 p.m.  
Meeting of the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 3 p.m.

*Dé Céadaoin, 23 Meitheamh, 2004*  
*Wednesday, 23rd June, 2004*

**An Bille um Chomhionannas 2004:**  
**Equality Bill 2004:**

Cruinniú den Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan i Seomra Coiste 1, LH2000, ar 9.30 a.m.  
Meeting of the Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights in Committee Room 1, LH2000, at 9.30 a.m.

**Bille na Séadchomharthaí Náisiúnta (Leasú) 2004:****National Monuments (Amendment) Bill 2004:**

Cruinniú den Roghchoiste um Chomhshaol agus Rialtas Áitiúil i Seomra Coiste 3, LH2000, ar 10.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Select Committee on the Environment and Local Government in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 10.30 a.m.

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Thalmhaíocht agus Bia i Seomra Coiste 1, LH2000, ar 2.30 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Agriculture and Food in Committee Room 1, LH2000, at 2.30 p.m.

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Airgeadas agus an tSeirbhís Phoiblí i Seomra Coiste 4, LH2000, ar 2.30 p.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Finance and the Public Service in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 2.30 p.m.

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Ealaíon, Spóirt, Turasóireachta, Pobail, Tuaithe agus Gaeltachta i Seomra Coiste 2, LH2000, ar 4.15 p.m. (*príobháideach*).

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Arts, Sport, Tourism, Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 4.15 p.m. (*private*).

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*Déardaoin, 24 Meitheamh, 2004*

*Thursday, 24th June, 2004*

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Shláinte agus Leanáí i Seomra Coiste 2, LH2000, ar 9.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Health and Children in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 9.30 a.m.

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**An Bille um Chomhionannas 2004:****Equality Bill 2004:**

Cruinniú den Roghchoiste um Dhlí agus Ceart, Comhionannas, Cosaint agus Cearta na mBan i Seomra Coiste 3, LH2000, ar 9.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Select Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 9.30 a.m.

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Cruinniú den Choiste um Chuntais Phoiblí i Seomra Coiste 1, LH2000, ar 11 a.m.

Meeting of the Committee of Public Accounts in Committee Room 1, LH2000, at 11 a.m.

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste ar Airteagal 35.4.1 den Bhunreacht agus ar alt 39 den Acht Cúirteanna Breithiúnais 1924 i Seomra Coiste 4, LH2000, ar 12 meán lae (*príobháideach*).

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Article 35.4.1 of the Constitution and section 39 of the Courts of Justice Act 1924 in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 12 noon (*private*).

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**BILLÍ DÁLA SA SEANAD  
DÁIL BILLS WITH THE SEANAD**

An Bille um Cheartas Coiriúil (Foirne Comhpháirteacha um Imscrúdú) 2003.  
Criminal Justice (Joint Investigation Teams) Bill 2003.

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An Bille um Oideachas do Dhaoine a bhFuil Riachtanais Speisialta Oideachais Acu 2003  
*athraithe ó* An Bille um Oideachas do Dhaoine faoi Mhíchumas 2003.  
Education for Persons with Special Educational Needs Bill 2003 *changed from* Education  
for Persons with Disabilities Bill 2003.

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An Bille Léiriúcháin 2000.  
Interpretation Bill 2000.

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Bille an Bhainc Ceannais agus Údarás Seirbhísí Airgeadais na hÉireann 2003.  
Central Bank and Financial Services Authority of Ireland Bill 2003.

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**SCRÍBHINNÍ A LEAGADH FAOI BHRÁID NA DÁLA  
DOCUMENTS LAID BEFORE THE DÁIL**

*Reachtúil:*

1) COM (2004) 313: Nóta faisnéise leasaithe.

2) Na Rialacháin Cánach Táirgí Alcóil 2004 (I.R. Uimh. 379 de 2004).

3) Togra le haghaidh Rialacháin ón gComhairle ar chríochnú an Phrótacail lena míneofar, don tréimhse 1 Eanáir 2004 go 31 Nollaig 2006, na deiseanna iascaireachta tuinníní agus an ranníocaíocht airgeadais dá bhforáiltear sa chomhaontú idir Comhphobal Eacnamaíochta na hEorpa agus Poblacht Dhaonlathach Mhadagascar maidir le hiascaireacht amach ó Mhadagascar mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin.  
COM (2004) 218.

4) Togra le haghaidh Cinnidh ón gComhairle ar chríochnú an Chomhaontaithe ar mhodh malartú Litreacha i dtaca le cur chun feidhme sealadach an Phrótacail lena míneofar don tréimhse 1 Eanáir 2004 go 31 Nollaig 2006 na deiseanna iascaireachta tuinníní agus an ranníocaíocht airgeadais dá bhforáiltear sa chomhaontú idir Comhphobal Eacnamaíochta na hEorpa agus Poblacht Dhaonlathach Mhadagascar maidir le hiascaireacht amach ó Mhadagascar mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin.  
COM (2004) 217.

5) Togra le haghaidh Cinnidh ón gComhairle maidir leis an seasamh a bheidh le glacadh ag an gComhphobal laistigh de Chomhairle Airí ACC-CE maidir le

*Statutory:*

1) COM (2004) 313: Amended information note.

2) Alcohol Products Tax Regulations 2004 (S.I. No. 379 of 2004).

3) Proposal for a Council Regulation on the conclusion of the Protocol defining for the period 1 January 2004 to 31 December 2006 the tuna fishing opportunities and the financial contribution provided for in the agreement between the European Economic Community and the Democratic Republic of Madagascar on fishing off Madagascar together with explanatory information note.  
COM (2004) 218.

4) Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement in the form of an exchange of Letters concerning the provisional application of the Protocol defining for the period 1 January 2004 to 31 December 2006 the tuna fishing opportunities and the financial contribution provided for in the agreement between the European Economic Community and the Democratic Republic of Madagascar on fishing off Madagascar together with explanatory information note.  
COM (2004) 217.

5) Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be adopted by the Community within the ACP-EC Council of Ministers regarding a decision on the use of the

cinneadh ar úsáid chúlchiste chlúdach litreach na forbartha fadtréimhsí chomh maith le hacmhainní ó Shaoráid Infheistíochta an naoú Ciste Forbartha Eorpaigh chun Saoráid Uisce ACC-AE a bhunú mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin. COM (2004) 241.

6) Togra le haghaidh Cinnidh ón gComhairle ar dhearcadh an Chomhphobail laistigh de Chomhchomhairle AE-Meicsiceo maidir leis an déileáil le taraifí i leith táirgí áirithe atá liostaithe in Iarscríbhinn 1 a ghabhann le Cinneadh 2/2000 ó Chomhchomhairle AE-Meicsiceo a léirscaoileadh mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin. COM (2004) 169.

7) Togra Leasaithe le haghaidh Rialacháin ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle maidir le staidreamh ar an tSochaí Faisnéise mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin. COM (2004) 216.

8) Togra le haghaidh Treorach ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle lena leasaítear Treoir 2003/54/CE ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle i dtaca le forálacha áirithe a chur chun feidhme san Eastóin mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin. COM (2004) 318.

9) Togra le haghaidh Rialacháin ó Pharlaimint na hEorpa agus ón gComhairle lena leasaítear Rialachán (CE) Uimh. 1228/2003 i dtaca le dáta feidhme forálacha áirithe i leith na Slóivéine mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin. COM (2004) 309.

10) Comhsheasamh 2004/500/CFSP an 17 Bealtaine 2004 ón gComhairle lena n-uasdátaítear Comhsheasamh 2001/931/CFSP maidir le cur chun feidhme beart sonrath chun sceimhlitheoireacht a chomhrac agus lena n-aisghairtear Comhsheasamh 2004/309/CFSP mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin.

11) Togra le haghaidh Cinnidh ón gComhairle ar chomhaontú idir Rialtas Dhaon-Phoblacht na Síne agus an Comhphobal Eorpach maidir le comhar agus cúnaimh riaracháin frithpháirteach i gcúrsaí custam mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin. COM (2004) 299.

12) Togra le haghaidh Cinnidh ón gComhairle lena n-oiriúnaítear Cinneadh 2004/246/CE ón gComhairle de dheasca aontachas Phoblacht na Seice, na hEastóine, na Cipire, na Laitvia, na Liotuáine,

reserve of the long-term development envelope as well as resources from the Investment Facility of the ninth European Development Fund for the establishment of and ACP-EU Water Facility together with explanatory information note. COM (2004) 241.

6) Proposal for a Council Decision on a Community position within the EU-Mexico Joint Council concerning the liberalisation of the tariff treatment of certain products listed in Annex 1 of Decision 2/2000 of the EU-Mexico Joint Council together with explanatory information note. COM (2004) 169.

7) Amended Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning statistics on the Information Society together with explanatory information note. COM (2004) 216.

8) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2003/54/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the application of certain provisions in Estonia together with explanatory information note. COM (2004) 318.

9) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No. 1228/2003 as regards the date of application of certain provisions to Slovenia together with explanatory information note. COM (2004) 309.

10) Council Common Position 2004/500/CFSP of 17 May 2004 updating Common Position 2001/931/CFSP on the application of specific measures to combat terrorism and repealing Common Position 2004/309/CFSP together with explanatory information note.

11) Proposal for a Council Decision on an agreement between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the European Community on cooperation and mutual administrative assistance in customs matters together with explanatory information note. COM (2004) 299.

12) Proposal for a Council Decision adapting Council Decision 2004/246/EC by reason of the accession of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland,



na hUngáire, Mhálta, na Polainne, na Slóivéine, agus na Slóvaice mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin. COM (2004) 329.

13) Réamh-Dhréachtbhuiséad leasaitheach Uimh.8 a ghabhann leis an mBuiséad Ginearálta do 2004 — Ráiteas ginearálta ioncaim mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin. SEC (2004) 675.

14) Togra le haghaidh Creatchinnidh ón gComhairle maidir le cearta nós imeachta áirithe in imeachtaí coiriúla ar fud an Aontais Eorpaigh mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin. COM (2004) 328.

15) Oifig an Choimisinéara Faisnéise. Tuarascáil Bhliantúil 2003 agus an tAthbhreithniú ar Oibriú an Achta um Shaoráil Faisnéise (Leasú) 2003.

16) Radio Telefís Éireann. Tuarascáil Bhliantúil agus Cuntais Chomhdhlúite, 2003.

17) Aonad Léiriúchán Neamhspleách RTÉ. Tuarascáil Bhliantúil, 2003.

18) An Bord Míochaine agus Déidliachta Iarchéime. Cuntais, 2002.

19) Gníomhaireacht Forbartha Tionscail na hÉireann. Tuarascáil Bhliantúil agus Cuntais, 2003.

20) Na Rialacháin um Scéimeanna Pinsean Ceirde (Tuarascálacha Bliantúla) 2004 (I.R. Uimh. 233 de 2004).

21) Ordú ón Aire an 9 Meitheamh 2004 lena ndéantar ceapachán chun coiste roghnóireachta reachtúil faoi alt 21 (3) den Acht fán nGníomhaireacht um Chaomhnú Comhshaoil 1992. (An Roinn Comhshaoil, Oidhreachta agus Rialtais Áitiúil).

22) An Coimisiún um Rialáil Fuinnimh. Tuarascáil Bhliantúil, 2003.

#### *Neamhreachtúil:*

1) An Coiste Comhairleach Náisiúnta um Dhrugaí. Athbhreithniú ar Bhealaí Cuir Chuige i dtaca le Dochar a Laghdú in Éirinn agus Fianaise ón Litríocht Idirnáisiúnta (Bealtaine 2004).

2) Páipéar Comhairliúcháin ón gCoimisiún um Athchóiriú an Dlí maidir le hAchoimhaire Ionchúisimh ó Phianbhreitheanna Róthrócaireacha sa Chúirt Dúiche (LRC CP 33 — 2004) (Meitheamh 2004).

Slovenia and Slovakia together with explanatory information note. COM (2004) 329.

13) Preliminary Draft amending Budget No. 8 to the General Budget for 2004 — General statement of revenue together with explanatory information note. SEC (2004) 675.

14) Proposal for a Council Framework Decision on certain procedural rights in criminal proceedings throughout the European Union together with explanatory information note. COM (2004) 328.

15) Office of the Information Commissioner. Annual Report 2003 and the Review of the Operation of the Freedom of Information (Amendment) Act 2003.

16) Radio Telefís Éireann. Annual Report and Consolidated Accounts, 2003.

17) RTÉ Independent Production Unit. Annual Report, 2003.

18) Postgraduate Medical and Dental Board. Accounts, 2002.

19) Industrial Development Agency (Ireland). Annual Report and Accounts, 2003.

20) Occupational Pension Schemes (Annual Reports) Regulations 2004 (S.I. No. 233 of 2004).

21) Ministerial Order of 9 June 2004 making an appointment to statutory selection committee under section 21 (3) of the Environmental Protection Agency Act 1992. (Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government).

22) Commission for Energy Regulation. Annual Report, 2003.

#### *Non-Statutory:*

1) National Advisory Committee on Drugs. A Review of Harm Reduction Approaches in Ireland and Evidence from the International Literature (May 2004).

2) Law Reform Commission Consultation Paper on Prosecution Appeals from Unduly Lenient Sentences in the District Court (LRC CP 33 — 2004) (June 2004).

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