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surrounding the death of Prisoner C
on 4 June 2016 while on Temporary Release
from Arbour Hill Prison**

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Presented to the Tánaiste and Minister for Justice and Equality
pursuant to Part 5 of the Prisons Act 2007

Judge Michael Reilly
Inspector of Prisons

29 July 2016

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Preface

The deceased was a 79 year old man from the Dublin area.

I am informed that the deceased is survived by his sister and extended family.

I did not meet members of the deceased's family but wish to offer my condolences to all members of his family.

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Inspector of Prisons Investigation Report

General Information

1. The deceased was a 79 year old man from the Dublin area.
2. The deceased was committed to prison on 1 March 2007. He was serving a life sentence in Arbour Hill Prison.
3. The deceased was approved compassionate weekly temporary release, by Tánaiste and Minister for Justice and Equality, for health and medical reasons on 13 May 2016.
4. The deceased was moved from the Mater Hospital to St Francis Hospice, Raheny on 16 May 2016 where he passed away on 4 June 2016 with members of his family present.

Status of the deceased while in Prison

5. The deceased was on the enhanced level of the Incentivised Regime. He received regular visits from his family members while in prison.

Temporary Release

6. The deceased was treated for a number of health related issues in Arbour Hill Prison in the months leading up to his death. He also had support visits from the external palliative care team. On 13 May 2016 the deceased was approved compassionate weekly temporary release by the Tánaiste and Minister for Justice and Equality. On 16 May 2016 the deceased was moved to St Francis Hospice in Raheny as his condition had deteriorated. He died on 4 June with members of his family present.

7. The cause of death is a matter for the Coroner. I am aware that no autopsy was carried out on the deceased.

Findings

8. The release of the deceased on reviewable temporary release was appropriate having regard to the deceased's medical condition and ill health where he required end of life care.
9. I am satisfied that there are no further issues which I should investigate.