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CHA RMAN Now, Mr. Harty, whenever you're ready. MR. HARTY: Thank you, Chairman.

## MR. PAUL BARRY CONTI NUED TO BE CROSS- EXAM NED BY

 MR. HARTY, AS FOLLOVG:Q. Good morning, Mr. Barry.
A. Good morning, Mr. Harty.

1 Q. We have two small issues, you don't agree that they are sma11. 5C, the question of whether my client targeted you by requiring you to apply to Inspector o'sullivan or Superintendent Comyns for certification of Haddington Road hours. Do you still believe that that is the case?
A. Yes, I do.

2 Q. You've read the statement of retired Sergeant Aidan Dunne, I take it?
A. That's correct.

3 Q. And that's at page 1881.
REG STRAR: Sorry, 1884?
4 Q. MR. HARTY: 1881, thank you, Mr. Murphy. If we read that statement.
"I ama retired menber of An Garda Sí ochána si nce 1st Oct ober 2020. I previ ously hel d the rank of sergeant and was empl oyed at $M$ tchel stown Garda Station from mid

2007 until my retirement. In rel ation to the issue rai sed by retired Ser geant Paul Barry regarding the Haddi ngt on Road duty, I can confirmthat at one time I did sign and approve all such applications made by retired Sergeant Barry as well as for the other sergeant attached to Mtchel stown Garda Station, Sergeant Gerry Qui nn. However, this practice changed under Superintendent $M$ chael Comyns, in whi ch he di rected that all such applications should be forwarded to hi mfor sanction or the district inspector, Anthony O Sul I i van. "

He then goes on, in fairness to you:
"I cannot recall if initially this applied to retired
Sergeant Barry onl y but l can onl y that bef ore he moved fromthe Fermoy district, all such applications did have to be forwarded to Superintendent Comyns."

So, are you saying that that is not correct?
A. I am not saying that is not correct because he did state that he used to sign my applications, he used to approve them.
5 Q. And then?
A. And then he received a direction that my application could no longer be approved by him.
6 Q. I see.
A. It would have to be by Superintendent Comyns or Inspector o'Sullivan.

7 Q. And the same was done to Sergeant Gerry Quinn?
A. No, I don't recall Sergeant Quinn telling me that he got correspondence.
8 Q. I am asking you was Sergeant Gerry Quinn authorised -was his Haddington Road time, duty, authorised by Aidan 11:04 Dunne after the directive from my client?
A. Not as far as the information $I$ have, but that would be a question best put to Sergeant Quinn.
Right. So Sergeant Dunne is incorrect when he says that Sergeant Quinn's Haddington Road duty had to be authorised for sanction to the district inspector or Superintendent Comyns?
A. A11 Haddington Road duty was forwarded for sanction, for approval, it was done by the sergeant in charge. That approval was taken away from Sergeant Dunne in relation to me.
10 Q. Right. And you know that my client says that that was the ordinary practice and that it shouldn't have been done by the sergeant in charge but should have been done by the district inspector or the superintendent?
A. The Haddington Road duty was approved by the sergeant in charge and it continued as far as I was aware for other members but not for me.

11 Q. I see.
A. Before I could have my Haddington Road approved, it would be submitted to Inspector o'sullivan or Superintendent Comyns and then it would be resubmitted for sanction.
12 Q. So if Sergeant Aidan Dunne says that he didn't sanction

Sergeant Gerry Quinn's Haddington Road time and that he also forwarded that to the district inspector or the superintendent?
A. If you bring up a Haddington Road form, there's one on page 5520.
Q. No, we will come to that, I am asking you, if Sergeant Aidan Dunne says that he was directed not to sanction Sergeant Gerry Quinn's Haddington Road hours, will you accept that?
A. If that's what Sergeant Quinn says, but I did not see any paperwork directed to Sergeant Quinn from Superintendent Comyns in relation to that. He may have had a verbal direction from Sergeant Quinn but I received it in writing.
Why would you have received Sergeant Gerry Quinn's communications?
A. I'm saying Sergeant Quinn didn't get a communication in writing from Superintendent Comyns as I did.
Q. We11, I think Sergeant Quinn was in a position to answer phone calls from Superintendent Comyns, isn't that correct?
A. I have no knowledge of that.

16 Q. Are you saying that Sergeant Quinn wouldn't answer Superintendent Comyns' phone calls either?
A. I said I have no knowledge of that.

17 Q. Are you seriously saying, Mr. Barry, that Sergeant Quinn also refused to take phone calls from Superintendent Comyns?
A. I said I have no knowledge of the communications
between Superintendent Comyns and Sergeant Quinn.
18 Q. At any stage, between 2013 and 2015, did sergeant Quinn mention a phone call or a meeting with Superintendent Comyns?
A. No, he did not.

19 Q. Never?
A. Not to my knowledge.
Q. Ever?
A. In relation to Haddington Road?

21 Q. No. I'm talking about phone calls?
A. Anyone?
A. I cannot recall every conversation I have had with sergeant Quinn.
so you are saying to this Tribunal that the district
officer didn't communicate directly with you or with Sergeant Gerry Quinn for two years?
A. I cannot comment on communications between Superintendent Comyns and Sergeant Gerry Quinn. That is a question best put to Sergeant Gerry Quinn.

24 Q. I am asking you, are you expecting this Tribunal so believe that Sergeant Gerry Quinn also did not engage in direct communication by way of phone call or meeting with my client?
A. I am asking the Tribunal to believe that I had no knowledge of Sergeant Quinn's communication with Superintendent Comyns.
Q. You worked on a daily basis with Sergeant Quinn for two years?
A. We're opposite units, sorry.
Q. You would encounter him on a daily basis?
A. Encounter, yes.

27 Q. And are you telling me that never once during those two years did he mention a meeting or a phone call he had with the super?
A. No, he didn't.
Q. He didn't?
A. Not in relation to Haddington Road.
A. But I am.
Q. No, no, I am the one asking the questions and I would like you to answer the questions that $I$ am asking, not the ones you'd like to answer, please.
A. I have no knowledge of other communications between 11:09 Superintendent Comyns via phone call to Sergeant Gerry Quinn, that is not my business.
31 Q. And you are seriously saying to this Tribunal that you have no reason to believe it took place?
A. I have no knowledge of phone calls from Sergeant Quinn 11:09 to Superintendent Comyns or vice versa. What was going on in Mitchelstown? Seriously, where apparently unit sergeants, none of them, are in contact with the district officer?
A. You're asking me about other sergeants' communications. 11:09 You have just suggested to me that you have no reason to believe that Sergeant Quinn spoke on the phone or had meetings with my client?
A. Negative. I said I have no knowledge of any
communications between Sergeant Quinn and Superintendent Comyns. They are between those two persons.

34 Q. I am asking you did it occur?
A. I cannot say.
would you like to answer that again? I am giving you the opportunity, Sergeant Barry, to give your honest answer to it. In relation to that, I am asking you a simple question: Are you saying that there was no communication by phone or meeting between my client and 11:10 Sergeant Gerry Quinn?
A. And I will answer you in simple terms: I have no knowledge of communications between Superintendent Comyns via phone call and Sergeant Gerry Quinn. You understand you are not actually answering my question?
A. Well I believe I am. No, you're not. I will put it in another way: To your knowledge did Sergeant Quinn attend PAF meetings with my client?
A. I believe he did.
Q. Thank you. To your knowledge did Sergeant Gerry Quinn ever receive a phone call from my client?
A. I presume he would have, but I wouldn't be party to it.
Q. That is the answer to the question $I$ have been asking you for the last five minutes?
A. No, sorry, you were asking me if I had knowledge of those calls.
Q. No. We11 I have to put it to you that it is a remarkable thing, that to penalise you for making a protected disclosure it's your case that the entire system was changed in relation to Haddington Road hours?
A. That's incorrect, I said it was changed in relation to me.

47 Q. In relation to the change of unit, we touched on this yesterday, and in relation to that issue, you had a serious difficulty in managing a member of your unit, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.

48 Q. And she had also expressed difficulties in working with
you, isn't that correct?
A. Not to my knowledge, until discovery.

49 Q. okay. What is the best way to resolve that situation?
A. Superintendent Comyns himself says he was informed by Sergeant Dunne that there was difficulty between me and 11:13 that member, but he says he did not discuss it with Sergeant Dunne. Now, as a front line manager, I believe he should have discussed it with Sergeant Dunne.

He did discuss it with Sergeant Dunne. He said to Sergeant Dunne, and that's his evidence and will be his evidence, that talk to them and one of them needs to move but I am not going to say who?
A. In his statement he says that when he was told there was a difficulty between me and that member, he did not 11:13 enquire from Sergeant Dunne as to what the difficulty was.

51 Q. Oh I see. And what would have happened if he had enquired as to the difficulty?
A. He may have been aware of the problem then.

52 Q. And what would have happened then?
A. That would be a matter for the district officer.

53 Q. And would he have started an investigation into it?
A. I cannot say what action he would have taken.
well, if there was a difficulty and he carried out an investigation -- could he have carried out an investigation into interaction with a member on your unit?
A. That, I can't say.

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Q. Would you have answered the phone call in relation to it?
A. No, I would not have.
A. The problem with being stationed in Fermoy was as I set out, the then sergeant in charge of mitchelstown asked me not to go to Fermoy and I then submitted a list of
my relations, which would have been contrary to the code in either case.

61 Q. And you were of the view that you had succeeded in stopping an attempt to have you transferred and it was a nefarious plan to have you transferred, isn't that correct?
A. I didn't say it was a plan.

62 Q. A nefarious motive?
A. The motive, yes.

63 Q. Okay. Can we work out what the word motive means?
A. Because it was contrary to the code regulations, I believed there must have been a motive behind it, because it would have been in breach of the code.
64 Q. And what would have been so wrong with it?
A. The Commissioner or whoever compiles the code does not believe that having members working in close proximity to their relations would be a good practice.
65 Q. And you objected to Fermoy and to the idea of closer supervision, isn't that right?
A. In 2004?

66 Q. No, in 2012?
A. No, I objected to going to Fermoy in 2012 to be under the superintendent, in contradiction to my doctor's certificate.
67 Q. Well that was 2013?
A. I got the cert in 2013, yes.

68 Q. Yes. So you can't contradict a doctor's certificate where the doctor hadn't even thought of it in 2012, because you became aware in April in 2012 that plans
were afoot or moves were afoot to move a sergeant to Fermoy, isn't that right?
A. In April 2012?
A. There may have been. I wasn't notified.

70 Q. When did you become notified of it?
A. The first application to transfer me to Fermoy was in 2013.

71 Q. Wren did you become aware of the plan to transfer a sergeant to Fermoy?
A. I did not have any knowledge of the plan to transfer a sergeant in 2012, prior to when I made my complaint.
72 Q. Okay. So when Dr. Kiely notes that in her records, she's just making it up?
A. You refer to a plan, I said I did not refer to a plan.
A. There may have been talk of moving a member to Fermoy, but there was no plan.

74 Q. Really. No plan? Because what you told your doctor was that's precisely what's going on?
A. I did not mention a plan to my doctor.
Q. Really. So when somebody is picking on little things in order to facilitate the move, that's not a plan?
A. No, I believe that was a motive.
Q. A motive?
A. Yes, a motive to create a reason to transfer me.

77 Q. And that was your principal concern, wasn't it? The first thing that you said to your doctor, isn't that right?
A. That there was a new superintendent in the district, yes.
Q. Well, in fact, he wasn't new, he was there almost two years at that stage $I$ think?
A. Yes.

79 Q. And that superintendent was picking on little things because he wants one of the sergeants to move to Fermoy?
A. I believe it was me he was picking on. I don't know about the other sergeant.
80 Q. And the other sergeant, this was particularly unfair because the other sergeant was newer to the station, isn't that right?
A. Yes.

81 Q. When did you form the view that this is what was going on?
A. Over the course of the bullying actions I set out.
Q. No, I need you to be a bit more accurate, and if we go need to go through each of the bullying actions, we can. But I am asking you when in 2012 you formed the conclusion that this is what was afoot?
A. I did not form a conclusion, I just merely pointed out that the fact that $I$ was being targeted by the superintendent could have been a reason to have me transferred to Fermoy. That was my belief behind it. August. So I want to know, it was obviously before the 10th August?
A. That's correct.

84 Q. When before 10th August 2012 did you form the conclusion that you were having actions on your part picked on so as to move you to Fermoy?
A. I probably formulated that view after the final bullying action referred to.

85 Q. Oh so you formulated that view when you received the Reg 10 notice?
A. No, sorry, the 128, I'm talking about, bullying.
Q. The 128 ?
A. Yes.

87 Q. We11 the first of those was in 2010?
A. That's correct.

88 Q. So did you form that view in 2010?
A. No, I said I formed it, probably formed it at the end when number 8 was finalised.

89 Q. When number 8 was finalised. But in time the last one was the Reg $10 ?$
A. No, sorry, the Reg 10 was included in complaint number 9.
Q. The Reg 10 was the last one, isn't that right?
A. In complaint number 9.

91 Q. So are you saying that on the 2nd August you decided that this man is definitely going to get me moved?
A. Negative. When Superintendent Comyns served me with the Reg 10, he said, I'11 be watching you. So I assumed from that, he would want me in Fermoy under closer supervision.

92 Q. And is that when the penny dropped?
A. That was when the penny dropped confirmation wise, yes. Right. And you left that day with the view that this was likely because it's the first thing that you said to your GP?
A. Yes, from what he said when he served me with the Reg 10, that he would be watching me.
Q. Firstly, isn't it his job to watch you?
A. Pardon?

99 Q. Isn't it his job to watch you?
A. It's his job to supervise me, yes.
A. Not to single me out for special attention.

101 Q. Not to single you out for special attention, or not to single you out to transfer you. what do you say to that?
A. Sorry, could you repeat that?

102 Q. Is it not his job to single you out to transfer you?
A. Well he did that.

103 Q. He did that?
A. Yeah, he did that in 2014.

104 Q. Right. Why did he try to transfer you in 2014?
A. You'11 have to ask him that. He wanted a transfer, he applied for an exemption under the code to have me transferred into Fermoy.
105 Q. And by that stage you were a unit sergeant who was refusing to engage at all?
A. Negative. I was engaging via correspondence, as you have seen.
106 Q. You wouldn't take a phone call from your district officer?
A. Not to my private phone, no.

107 Q. Would you take one to your work phone?
A. No, I didn't have a work phone.

108 Q. Well then there's no need to make the distinction. You 11:24 wouldn't take a phone call from him, isn't that correct?
A. No, I wouldn't.

109 Q. Can you understand how chaotic that is?
A. That situation was not created by me, that was created 11:24 by your client.
110 Q. Was it created by my client when he decided he wanted to move a sergeant to Fermoy?
A. No, when he directed me to cover up the sexual abuse of
a child.
111 Q. Right, see, the point about it is that on the 10th August with your GP and on the 2nd August when you were served the Reg 10 , it had nothing to do with the cover-up, it had everything - and if you wait for the question - it had everything to do with the fact that you thought when he said he's be watching you, that he was going to transfer you in to Fermoy?
A. The Reg 10 was in one hand, the file in relation to the sexual abuse of a child was in the other, it was clearly pointed to me.

112 Q. But yet you were left with a view that you were going to be transferred to Fermoy?
A. Yes, because he said he would be watching me.

113 Q. And that, I have to put it to you, is where all of this ${ }_{11: 25}$ actually started?
A. And combined with his previous bullying attempts.

114 Q. which were also about attempting to move you to Fermoy?
A. None of them, I don't believe any of them were about -the bullying complaints were individual complaints relating to different matters, not transfers.
115 Q. Was it the same sergeant in Fermoy in 2011, 2012 or was the sergeant still there who had asked you in 2004 not to move?
A. Sergeant Tony O'Sullivan was in Mitchelstown from 1999 until 2007, when he got promoted.

116 Q. I see. So, in fact, if you had moved to Fermoy you would have been working closer with Inspector o'sullivan, the man you didn't want to leave in

Mitchelstown?
A. Inspector O'Sullivan's office was in Mitchelstown.

117 Q. Right.
A. He was promoted inspector and returned to Mitchelstown in charge of the courts.

118 Q. And did he approach you and say that he didn't want you to move again in 2012?
A. No.
Q. No. So what was the reason you didn't want to move in 2012?
A. Because, as I indicated already, Inspector O'Sullivan asked me to appeal it, or fight it, because $I$ was doing all the Pulse computer work at the time.

120 Q. That was 2004, I am asking about 2012?
A. Sorry, in 2012, Inspector O'Sullivan did not ask me not 11:27 to move.

121 Q. So what was the reason that you were resistant to moving in 2012?
A. Because it would have put me in closer contact with Superintendent Comyns.

122 Q. But there was no issue between yourself and Superintendent Comyns?
A. There was no transfer attempt in 2012.

123 Q. Why did you tell your GP that there was?
A. I didn't. I said I believed that was the motive 11:27 behind --

124 Q. Why were you so resistant to the move, to the idea of a move to Fermoy in 2012?
A. Before the complaint or after the complaint? Before

August or after?
Before August. Well, let's put it at August. Let's say the 2 nd August, the moment the penny dropped that the Reg 10's purpose was to ensure that he could then move you into Fermoy?
A. That was my reason, I did not want to be under closer scrutiny by that person.
Q. Before that would you have happily gone?
A. No, I would not.

127 Q. Why would you not?
A. Because it would have been against the code regulations.
128 Q. Had you checked that?
A. I didn't have to, I knew it from 2004.

129 Q. Would you have gone if it was in the interests of the 11:28 proper organisation of the district?
A. I would not have gone in breach of the code, no.

130 Q. And when you were, in the years after this, talking to your doctors, why did you never really explain to them the fact that you have always resisted and had an issue 11:28 with the idea of being moved to Fermoy?
A. I was always under the code regulations in relation to a move to Fermoy. That was not my fault.
131 Q. And are you saying to this Tribunal, and you need to be very careful now, are you saying to this Tribunal that 11:28 it wasn't a matter of your own wishes but solely the code?
A. I was happy working in Mitchelstown, I did not wish to work in Fermoy and the code prohibited me from doing
132 Q. And what was wrong with working in Fermoy?
133 Q. I am talking about your wishes?
A. My wishes?
Q. Yes.
A. I was happy working in the station to which I first attested to in 2000.

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Q. I think I would like you to tell me precisely who caused a problem for you? I mean, one of the -- Garda 11:29 wall, is it?
A. Pardon?
Q. Is it Garda wall who lives in Fermoy?
A. Garda wall lives in Fermoy, yes, outside the town.

137 Q. Yes, and he's married to a publican in the town, isn't 11:29 that right, a daughter of a publican in the town?
A. I believe so, yes.

138 Q. And he's able to work in Mitchelstown?
A. That's Garda wall's --

139 Q. Oh, I see.
A. He was moved out of Fermoy because of that marriage.

140 Q. Yes, I know that.
A. Yes.

141 Q. He was moved 15 miles down the road?
A. Yes. And he was moved at that time because of the code, because there could be a compromise.

142 Q. But it's not strictly applied, is it?
A. Well it should be.

143
Q. Oh I see. You weren't going to take it lying down,
were you? You weren't going to take it lying down, were you?
A. Which? Any bullying attempts?

144 Q. Any bullying attempts?
A. No, I would not.
Q. Any transfer attempts?
A. No, I would stand up for myself.

146 Q. You wouldn't take it lying down?
A. Exactly.

147 Q. How far would you be willing to go?
A. As far as I could within the limits of the law.

148 Q. Thank you very much.
A. Thank you.

## END OF EXAM NATI ON

CHA RMAN Now thanks very much, Mr. Harty. Now who is next.

MR. CARROLL: I will go next, Chair.
CHA RMAN Mr. Carrol1, thank you very much. Just te11 11:30 us who you are representing Mr. Carroll.

MR. CARROLL: Yes.

## MR. PAUL BARRY UAS THEN CROSS- EXAM NED BY MR. CARROLL

 AS FOLLOVG:149 Q. MR. CARROLL: Mr. Barry, my name is Paul Carroll and I am representing retired Superintendent John Quilter, and I just have a few questions. Can you hear me okay?
A. I can.
Q. I can move a little to the side?

CHA RMAK would you press the button on your machine so there's a red light, Mr. Carroll?
MR. CARROL: It is pressed and I will move a bit
closer. Just make sure is it picking up? Is that picking up now?
CHA RMAN I helped by turning off mine. Thank you.
MR. CARROL: Mr. Barry, you will be glad to hear I am not going to be as long as my colleagues have cross-examined you and questioned you, and I am going to focus really on the issues surrounding the allegations in terms of the Fota golf tournament and I just have some questions in relation to that and some documents, I will get up some of the documents to look at. Is that okay?
A. That's fine, thanks.

152 Q. In a general sense, Mr. Quilter has made a statement to the Tribunal and I am sure you're aware of that, where he doesn't accept that he was involved in any
conspiracy to target you or to discredit you, and he set out some details in that statement, you understand that?
A. Yes.

153 Q. And in due course he will be giving evidence before the 11:32 Tribuna1. Just in relation to some matters, and you touched upon them when Mr. McGuinness was asking you questions at the start, this was obviously a large public event that was happening in June 2014, and a big
draw, I suppose, on Garda resources in the district and outside the district as well, isn't that right?
A. That'd be correct.

154 Q. And I think it will be clear from some of the papers we have in relation to it, the background papers, the operational orders, rosters, rotas, e-mails and so forth, that there was a lot of build up in terms of organisation into the matter, isn't that right?
A. Absolutely, yes.

155 Q.
And I think in relation to that, the decision was made on an operational basis to set out the rosters in a particular way, isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

156 Q. And I think, obviously I'm not going to go through this again, Mr. Murphy dealt with it adequately when he was talking about the time, there was a lot of constraints in terms of budgetary constraints and finance constraints, there was working time agreement as well in relation to matters and there was, I suppose, to put it in a sentence, there was a squeeze on overtime, there was an attempt by the Gardaí to cut the budget and try and avoid overtime I suppose, is that correct?
A. That would be correct, yes.

157 Q. And I think in relation to the matters, maybe if we could look at 4588, for example. Page 4588, please. Now, I think some of the build up to it, was - if we can just go down a bit on that page. I think some of the build up to the organisation of the event, effectively, as I understand it, that it was decided
that unit B would work their ordinary duty in the mornings, daytime, at the golf tournament, is that right?
A. That's correct.

158 Q. And I think the papers, without just going through of them, I think the papers show that unit B across the division was assigned to that and that was the unit you happened to be in, is that correct?
A. Yes, there were two sergeants off unit $B$ in the Fermoy direct, which would be my district, were allocated but there were no units from unit B in mallow allocated.

159 Q. I think the issue, there was a couple of issues, I think one of them was, and Mr. Quilter will say that it was a Midleton event and you would start using up your own people first, then you'd going to adjoining districts and, if necessary, adjoining divisions. And he will say that that's the process that went on at that time. And that would seem to be borne out by the documentation and all the rosters and e-mails and so forth dealing with it, would that be correct?
A. That would be correct.

160 Q. And in that sense there was no suggestion or there was no picking out individual guards at this point to do particular duties, it was done on the basis, well, we will get unit B to do this slot, then we'11 move on, the resting guards would try and get in at some point, there'11 be some degree of overtime but we'11 try and limit the overtime at the event because it's undefined, it would be an undefined overtime, is my understanding
of it, that in other words, the event could go on to whatever time, it could go late, it could be weather dependent and so forth, and there wouldn't be control on the overtime as such, whereas there would be if somebody was put in the station on overtime on a particular shift. Would that make sense?
A. It would, but what doesn't make sense is that I was replaced by a sergeant on overtime in my own district. so that sergeant could have worked at Fota instead of putting me in that situation, if you know what I mean. There would have been no extra overtime incurred. So the overtime perspective doesn't come into it in relation to that. Like, if I was taken from Mitchelstown and replaced by somebody on overtime, he could have incurred the same overtime working in cobh.
161 Q. Yes. But what I am actually asking is, first off, and we will come to that, and Mr. Quilter can deal with it in due course, what I am asking you first off is, the organisation of this event, the assignment of people to the roster, the assignment of guards, was nothing to do
A. That's --

162 Q. So your assignment for the Thursday and the Friday, which were the two days you went, was because you were on unit B effectively, isn't that right?
A. Yes.

163 Q. okay. And at that point then, that's the situation at that point, you then say you have a meeting, you said you met with Superintendent Quilter, as he was at the
time, in advance of the event, isn't that right?
A. That's right. I went to midleton and I met with Superintendent Quilter and Inspector Eoghan Healy in Superintendent's Quilter's office, I believe.
164 Q. Yes. Just in relation to that meeting, that was a briefing, part of a briefing for sergeants in events in advance, isn't that right?
A. Yes, on an individual basis I was talking to him, it wasn't a group briefing.
Q. No, but I think there was another sergeant present as well from -- am I correct in that?
A. I don't recall the other sergeant being present.

166 Q. He thinks Sergeant Geary may have been present?
A. Yeah, I know he worked at the event but I'm not sure whether he would have been presented when I spoke with

167 Q. But Inspector Healy was present?
A. That's right.
Q. And Inspector Healy -- maybe if we go to 4549 I think is part of the operational order. If we go down, scroll down a bit please. And a bit further. And I think we have there Inspector Healy is mentioned as being in charged of executing the event management traffic plan for the relevant period, isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

169 Q. Then we go to page 4565, and again we have superintendent comyns was in command and then underneath Inspector Healy:
"Supervise and impl ement Garda traffic management plan. Li ai se with MO. Review of operation catering."

Then the other guards are mentioned. So Inspector Healy had a role. You would have been briefed with these, the roster and the operational order, they were briefed to all the sergeants in advance?
A. That's correct.

So you were aware in advance, firstly, that Superintendent Comyns was taking over the command for 11:39 the weekend or for the tournament, you were aware of that in advance?
A. Yeah, I had a conversation with Superintendent Quilter in relation to that.
171 Q. Yes. And you were aware -- and that that was mentioned 11:40 at the -- when you went for the briefing?
A. Yes, I explained my situation.

172 Q. So you had obviously a difficult with Superintendent Comyns, and you had referenced that to him, but you didn't go to middleton Garda station specifically to do 11:40 that, did you?
A. No, I believe I may have been summoned there for a briefing.

173 Q. Yes.
A. But my --

174 Q. It's just the Tribunal may have got the impression from your evidence, from your statements, that you had this issue with Superintendent Comyns at the time?
A. Yeah.

And what happened was, you were going for the standard briefing that was being given to all sergeants and I think Inspector Healy in his statement doesn't remember the meeting but he accepts -- he's not doubting it, it happened, but it was a standard meeting, they were briefing all the sergeants and then you mentioned this difficulty and Mr. Quilter accepts that you mentioned it?
A. No, sorry, he was briefing all the sergeants.
Q. No, no at a separate -- sorry, my fault. At separate points, different sergeants were being brought in?
A. That's what I believe.

179 Q. It's Mr. Quilter's understanding that at this particular briefing there were two sergeants being brought in and being briefed in advance of the event, as all other sergeants were being brought in at different times to be briefed. And in the course of that then, at the end of that, rather, you referenced the issue with Superintendent Comyns and Superintendent Quilter said, I'11 take that on board. That's what he says happened. I'11 take that on board, he was aware
of it. You told him and he said, I will take that on board, isn't that right?
A. Yeah, he said that I wouldn't have to come in contact with the superintendent because of where I was positioned and that I would have to deal with Inspector 11:42 Healy.

180 Q. That you would have to deal with Inspector Healy?
A. Yes.

That's the first time you mentioned -- you have dealt with this aspect three times now before the Tribunal and you have been very quick to say, oh, I could have come in contact with Superintendent Comyns, I could have come in contact with him if something happened. You didn't once mention that the line of command, the chain of command at the first point would have been Inspector Healy, because that's what his role was as per the documents, isn't that right?
A. That is what I was assured at the meeting.

182 Q. Yes.
A. But what I referred to was what Superintendent Comyns had said in his statement, that should something have happened at my area of responsibility, he would have had to come into contact with me.

183 Q. And you have told the Tribunal, as I say, three times already about this without making any reference to Inspector нealy and the role that he had, in carrying out, implementing the traffic plan, and you were part of the traffic plan, being the first above you in command and I am just pointing it out, I mean go back
to the transcript, you didn't mention it once, about Inspector Healy's role in terms of what was actually going to happen at Fota?
A. At the meeting in Midleton I was assured by Superintendent Quilter that I would not have to come in 11:43 contact with Superintendent Comyns, that Inspector Eoghan Healy was in charge of the traffic and that any problems I had to would be with him. But that is not what Superintendent Comyns -- they don't seem to have briefed Superintendent Comyns in relation to that.
184 Q. CHA RMAN Where did Superintendent Comyns say that, Mr. Barry?
A. It's in his own statement, Mr. Chairman.

185 Q. CHA RMAN His statement, on what occasion?
MR CARROL: It's at page 566.
186 Q. CHA RMAN No, sorry. which statement?
A. I'm not sure which statement, but $I$ have seen it in his statement to the Tribunal.
187 Q. CHA RMAN But you didn't know that until you saw it?
A. oh no, I didn't know it until discovery.

188 Q. CHAI RMAK So this is something that arose after the Tribunal wrote to everybody?
A. That's correct.

CHA RMAN This was something that occurred to you, in other words, at a much later stage?
A. Yes, I didn't know it at the time.
Q. CHAI RMAN okay. But at the time you sailed on completely comfortably with Inspector Healy?
A. Yes. I believed that if anything happened Inspector

CHA RMAN And the fact that Superintendent Comyns made this statement to the Tribunal, that is the basis for you saying that retrospectively you were targeted?
A. No, I believe I was targeted by being placed down there 11:44 in the first place, that I should not have been put down working in the same area as Superintendent Comyns. CHA RMAN okay. Sorry, thanks, Mr. Carroll.

MR. CARROL: And Superintendent Comyns at all times was staying at Fota. He was in command, back at the Fota location, isn't that right?
A. I don't know where he was.
Q. Right. And this upset you, being on this duty, isn't that right?
A. It upset me coming in contact with Superintendent Comyns, had he not been at the event and Superintendent Quilter was in charge, I would have had no problem attending the event.
Q. So it wasn't -- and this contact, you say, was being in a room as big as this room with over a hundred gardaí, that's the contact, is it?
A. That was the contact on the day that upset me, yes.

196 Q. That upset you. You've provided your diary to the Tribunal, isn't that right? You've made numerous references to your diary, haven't you?
A. That's correct.

197 Q. Where is that recorded in your diary?
A. I did not record that in my diary.

198 Q. Not at all, that upsetting event?
A. I referenced it in my statement, that I immediately decided that I would apply for a pre-retirement course.
Q. Right. So this was the push for your retirement, I'm going to retire now, I've decided that because of this, is that what you are saying to the Tribunal?
A. I decided that this would not happen me again if I could help it, yes.
A. That's correct.
Q. Could we have that, it's at page 257 , please. So this is the 21st June. So the event had just finished, the day after $I$ think that is. And there's your letter:
"I wi sh to apply for inclusion in the next available pre-retirement course. I have already applied to have my prison service incl uded for pensi on purposes."

But this event was what got you going, this event, there and then, $I^{\prime \prime m}$ going to retire, I'm going to look into it. But you had already applied, you had already looked into the prison service, hadn't you? So it wasn't this event at al1, I suggest to you?
A. No, no, this was the trigger. I had prepared my prison 11:47 service in relation to retirement, yes.
202 Q. Right. So you already had it in mind, you were already looking at retirement, you're already in touch with the prison service, it was nothing to do with this event,
the way you have portrayed it, that this was some trigger event, isn't that right?
A. It was what triggered me, and you can see there I immediately applied following the event. I would have had my prison service long before this.

So you had already sussed out your retirement and whether your service in the prison would be included long before Fota?
A. Initially when I met my solicitor he asked me what service is I had left, when I could go, and that is what triggered me to enquire as to having my prison service --

204 Q. Long before Fota you had already looked into your prison situation and the prison service, isn't that right?
A. I had calculated when I could go, yes.

205 Q. So long before -- I will ask it again: Long before Fota and this event you had looked into whether your prison service would be included in your retirement and you looked into that. It's a yes or no.
A. It's true, yes, I did.

206 Q. Okay. You then -- sorry, I will just get the dates to be accurate about it. Bear with me. Bear with me one second. I think you'd -- yes, sorry, I have them. I think the 19th June then you were on duty at Fota, that 11:49 was a Thursday, isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

207 Q. And then the 20th June you were on duty, which was the Friday, isn't that right?
A. Yes, I did two days there.
Q. And then, just bear with me, so that was the Friday. You seem to have written this letter then on the 21st June, which was the Saturday, isn't that right?
A. That's going by the date, yes.
Q. And that's when you went to see Dr. Dennehy, didn't you, on the Monday?
A. I don't recal1. If it's in his notes, that date.

211 Q. You've already been asked questions by both Mr. Murphy and Mr. Harty about this report?
A. That was for the 15 th June, $I$ believe.

212 Q. You have already been asked questions about it, you mightn't have been asked specifically about this date. But the 23 rd June, the Monday, you went to see Dr. Dennehy, didn't you, your psychiatrist?
A. If you could bring that up --

We'11 get to the page number now, I am just asking you first, yes?
A. I don't recall that $I$ attended him on the 23 rd .
Q. The Monday?

CHA RMAK Hold on, everybody, Mr. Carrol1, 1et's get the document.
MR. CARROLL: It's page 51 --
CHA RMAN Mr. Barry is not sure that he went on that particular date and we better find out what actually is the situation as to Dr. Dennehy.
MR. CARROL: Yes. 5125.

Now you remember it. And so you were upset about your transfer appea1. You talk about the labour relations Commission, you talk about meeting a victim of the incident in 2012, you talk about being upset, about that, you talk about being upset about your transfer appeal. What you don't talk about is being upset over anything that happened a couple of days earlier in Fota, isn't that right?
A. It appears so, yes.

218 Q. So this awful event that happened, not mentioned whatsoever when you go to your psychiatrist a couple of days later, is that right?
A. That appears correct.

CHA RMAN Could you scroll down so we can see the rest of that.
219 Q. MR. CARRQL: We will go to the end of that paragraph
if you wish. You mention other things that are recorded. They're in the notes, we have the notes of Dr. Dennehy as well, and that he records these things that you are telling him about transfer appeal and so forth. He actually says:
"He admitted that his mood had di pped when the transfer issue had came out but had improved again. I felt at the time that he was mentally improved and probably the best I had seen himsince he first attended."

And this is days after this awful event at Fota, when you are seeing your psychiatrist that you have been under for a while, isn't that right?
A. My situation was mentally improved because I knew that I had submitted my application to retire.

220 Q. CHA RMAN Did you tell him that?
A. I don't recall whether I did or not. I may have.

221 Q. CHA RMAN I'm a little puzzled as to why you wouldn't, because you'd say, well, it's all going to be over soon, because I have applied for retirement, I mean, I am going to get out of this awful hell hole. It seems a bit funny?
A. I accept that, Mr. Chairman, yes.

CHA RMAN I am just looking at it in context?
222 Q. MR. CARROL: And you say to the Tribunal in your own words that my client deliberately took leave to bring about this situation?
A. That's what I believe.


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Q. That's what you believed?
A. That's what I believed.
Q. That he deliberately went on a holiday that was booked some time previously, as I understand it, late in the year previously, and that was all part of a pl an and $a$ conspiracy with Superintendent Comyns -- Chief Superintendent Dillane he was in on the conspiracy as well, wasn't he?
A. That's what I believed at the time, yes.
Q. Yes. And the upshot of the conspiracy was you in a room bigger than this room with over a hundred gardaí getting upset but not so upset you'd tell Dr. Dennehy a couple of days later. That's the upshot, isn't it?
A. I don't recall why I did not mention it, whether I did or not.
Q. And not put it in your diary?
A. It's not in my diary, no.

MR. CARROL: Thank you.

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CHA RMAN Now, are you a11 right there, you're stil1
in okay form?
THE WTNESS: Pardon?
CHA RMAN Are you still managing, you don't need a break or anything like that?
THE WTNESS: Oh no, I'm fine, thank you.

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227 Q. MR. MEGRRY: Mr. Barry, Paul McGarry is my name and I am one of the lawyers representing both Inspector

O'Sullivan and former Assistant Commissioner Fanning. I just have a number of questions for you arising out of what's been said already largely AND what's in the papers. And just in relation to the position of Inspector o'Sullivan, obviously you don't dispute any of the factual circumstances involving Inspector O'Sullivan and the way in which he was appointed to investigate your work-related stress and met with you and so on?
A. That's correct.

228 Q. And as I understand it, your problem or one of your problems with Inspector O'Sullivan relates to this famous meeting on 30th March 2013, when you say he inspected you, is that right?
A. I believe that was the 6th March.

229 Q. We11, I think you said that you returned to work -A. Sorry, the 6th April.

230 Q. No, I am talking about the first of the two issues. There are two incidents where, as I understand it, you say you were inspected, the first was where Inspector 11:56 O'Sullivan was there and the second was where Inspector o'Sullivan and Chief Superintendent Dillane were involved.
A. Yeah, I believe the first inspection by Inspector

231 Q. You said that that happened in the evening, is that right?
A. At 9pm, when I commenced my tour of duty.

232 Q. And that's because that was when you commenced your tour of duty, wasn't it?
A. 9 pm , yes.

233 Q. Inspector o'Sullivan says that he bumped into you, but even if he wanted to talk to you, isn't it reasonable to assume that if he wanted to do that he would have to 11:57 do it at the commencement of your tour of duty in case you went into the car and went out or whatever?
A. I would have expected him to give me a phone call, $I$ had known him quite well.

234 Q. Yes.
A. I didn't expect him to turn up unannounced in full uniform.
Q. Well, of course, you know he says that he wasn't in full uniform?
A. I understand that.

236 Q. And he says that he advised you about the need for a medical certificate, isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

237 Q. And you knew that you would need a medical certificate to go back to work, didn't you?
A. I had looked for one, yes.

238 Q. But you didn't have it at that stage, isn't that right?
A. No.

239 Q. And do I understand correctly your complaint about that
to be the fact that you considered it to it be an inspection?
A. That's correct.

240 Q. So that was the thing that upset you most about it?
A. That's it.

241 Q. okay. So it wasn't the fact that he asked you or told you that you need a medical cert, something you knew anyway, is that right?
A. No, that would be acceptable, to ask me for a cert, yes.

242 Q. So it was the fact of the inspection in your mind that caused the problem for you?
A. That's what I believed, yes.
Q. And that's a similar complaint that you have in relation to the subsequent meeting that Chief Superintendent Dillane attended, is that right?
A. That's correct.

244 Q. He arrived unannounced, you said, with Inspector o'Sullivan at your place of work, was that at the same time?
A. Yeah, night shift, yes, 9pm.
Q. And again your complaint is, as I understand it, that you considered that this was an inspection?
A. Yes, I did.
Q. Some sort of a formal thing that caused you to feel --
A. Because they were dressed formally on both occasions, yes.

247 Q. And that was the thing that caused you to feel like you were asked bullied and harassed?
A. Inspected, yes.

248 Q. And obviously you know that Inspector O'Sullivan says that he's almost a hundred percent sure that chief Superintendent Dillane was not in full uniform at the time?

CHAI RMAN Say that again, Mr. McGarry.
249 Q. MR. MEGARRY: Inspector O'Sullivan said that he is almost a hundred percent sure that Chief Superintendent Dillane was not in full uniform.
A. I accept that that is what he said, yes.

250 Q. No Sam Browne belt, that's what he says?
A. He's not a hundred percent sure.
A. Almost, yeah.

CHA RMAN He is not a hundred percent sure, that is correct.
Q. MR. MEGARRY: Yes. And you again said that you thought that was targeting because you considered it to be an ambush, is that right?
A. That's correct.

253 Q. Can I just ask you to look at page 286, please. If you go back to the request, this is a reply to particulars that you delivered in the context of your High Court proceedings. They're ongoing proceedings I think, aren't they?
A. That's correct.

254 Q. If you just go back to page 281, please, Mr. Murphy. If you just scroll down there, please, Mr. Murphy. Question 2, you know what this is, don't you?
A. I do, yes.

255 Q. This is a request for information from you about what you say your case or your claim is, isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

256 Q. So just at question 2 there you're asked:

> "Pl ease expl ai $n$ how it is clai med that the pl ai ntiff compl ai nts of bul ying, harassment or intimidation were not i nvesti gated in a thorough and i mpartial manner."

And the answer to that is at page 286, the answer to question 2. And your solicitor summarised the position, presumably on your instructions, says:
"This is a matter for evi dence, but without prejudice the following is a non-exhaustive list..."

And there's no reference anywhere in that list obviously to --
CHA RMAN Just scroll down, please, so we can see the 1ist.
257 Q. MR. MEGARRY: Is there anywhere referred to in that list of the issue surrounding the visits from Inspector O'Sullivan on the one hand and Inspector O'Sullivan and Chief Superintendent Dillane on the other?
A. No, this is in relation to the bullying complaints that I made.

258 Q. Yes, it is?
A. I never made a complaint in relation to their visits.

259 Q. Okay. Yes. And just go back again to page 181 for me please. The next question in the request, if you scroll down to question 3 , please:
"Pl ease ki ndl y specify whet her the pl ai ntiff alleges that he continues to be subjected to a rel entless campai gn of mean and spitef ul behavi our as alleged in paragraph 11."

Do you see that?
A. That's correct.

260 Q. This is the only other question that's asked about the supposed bullying and harassment or what's described in your own claim I think as the relentless campaign of mean and spiteful behaviour, do you see that?
A. That's correct, yes.

261 Q. If you go forward again to page 289, you will see the answer. You say:
"Yes, since the pl ai ntiff reported unfit for duty the following inci dents evi dences a campai gn of bullying, har assment and penal isation. The following is not an exhaustive list but a summary of events."

And if you scroll down through that 1ist, you will find 12:03 there is I think in (ix) a reference to the inspection that you say took place, that you now say took place on the 6th April. In any event, we won't fall out over the dates. But can you just te11 me where in paragraph

9 you use the word inspection?
A. I did not use it in that.
Q. Yes. But you've told us already that the thing that you complain about by reference to that visit was that it was an inspection, it was a formal inspection by you?
A. But I did not make a complaint in relation to it at the time. It was on1y when I was asked how I was targeted in relation to this inquiry, that $I$ relayed it.
Q. I see. So that doesn't form part of your complaint, your civil case, that particular element, is that right?
A. That particular element didn't, no. It's only since the Tribunal started investigating your complaint that you threw that into the mix, is that right?
A. Well, I asked how I felt; I was targeted.
Q. I suggest to you there is quite a lot of detail in (ix) about that event and it's part of the answer to the question about the ongoing campaign of bullying and harassment, but there is no reference at all to the fact that it was an inspection?
A. It says "The pl ai ntiff was extremely di stressed by these actions, particularly as his doctor felt..." --
266 Q. Yes, the fact that you were told to go and get a cert from the doctor?
A. And the inspector's questioning of my cert subsequently with the doctor. It says there at the end that I was distressed by these actions particularly.

267 Q
Q. But no reference to it being an inspection or that you considered it at the time to be an inspection?
A. Oh I considered it at the time, but I did not make a complaint about it.

Insofar as Assistant Commissioner Fanning is concerned, 12:05 is there anything in that document, that Replies to Particulars, that refers in any way to something done or not done by the assistant commissioner as equating to targeting or bullying?
A. No.

269 Q. There are references to HRM al1 right in there, but on7y in the context of the movement of papers and letters in the hierarchical structure that is An Garda Síochána, isn't that right?
A. I accept that.be a fair summary of it?
A. That would be correct.

Just so that I understand, your complaints about
Assistant Commissioner Fanning fall into a couple of categories, is that right? There's the issue that you have identified about what he said to Chief Superintendent Dillane, isn't that right?
A. Yes.

272 Q. If you go to page 345, this is an extract from the statement of Chief Superintendent Dillane. He records at the top of the page, in the first full sentence, a conversation that he had with Assistant Commissioner

Fanning. Do you see that? It says:
"My recollection of this conversation was that l was expressing my frustration with the whole HR structures i $n$ An Garda Sí ochána. Ser geant Barry wasn' t compl ying with the instructions. At the end of the conversation Assi stant Commissioner Fanning told me I should consi der di sci plining Ser geant Barry."

Do you see that?
A. Yes.

273 Q. Am I correct in thinking that the first time you became aware of that conversation was when you read this statement from Chief Superintendent Dillane?
A. That's correct.
Q. Okay. So you have now added the fact that Assistant Commissioner Fanning -- well sorry, Chief Superintendent Dillane tells the Tribunal that Assistant Commissioner Fanning told him that he should consider disciplining you, is that right?
A. That's correct.
Q. And I suggest to you that you have then extrapolated from that the suggestion that the disciplining would be something that would take place without an investigation?
A. Well, to discipline someone, there should be an investigation before you decide to discipline them.
Q. Yes, but where is it ever recorded that anybody suggested that it was to be discipline, there wouldn't
be an investigation?
A. It's just that he said to discipline him, that's all I'm referring to.
Yes, you see, the difficulty with that is, as you know, all discipline, just leave aside the Reg 10 for the moment, all discipline within An Garda Síochána requires some form of investigation, doesn't it?
A. That's correct.

And for Assistant Commissioner Fanning to suggest discipline in that way, if that's what he suggested, could never have been understood to involve a scenario without an investigation?
A. Well, my understanding is that Chief Superintendent Dillane enquired from Dr. Collins and Dr. Oghuvbu that they would back him if he went to discipline me as a result of this. So I believe Mr. Fanning should have been in consultation with those persons before he decided to instruct someone to discipline me.
Q. Again I suggest to you that even if the conversation is accurately recorded by Chief Superintendent Dillane, he 12:09 is nowhere instructing anybody to do anything, isn't that right? In fact, what he is doing is, he is suggesting an option.
CHA RMAN Just let Mr. Barry answer that.
MR. MEGARRY: Yes.
A. I believe -- sorry, page 1578, the statement of Monica Carr.

CHA RMAR Yes.

MR. MtGARRY: Yes.
A. Just to quote from it:
"He understands that a case conference is --"

12:09
CHAN RMAN where are you?
A. Sorry. "Spoke with Commi ssi oner Fanni ng."
Q.

CHA RMAN I can't see that. what does the paragraph say that starts it?
A. I'm not sure where exactly. It's a diary entry for --

282 Q. CHA RMAN I don't mind what it is, Mr. Barry. If you refer me to -- I am sorry, you refer us to page 1578, whereabouts on page 1578 is it?
A. Sorry, Mr. Chairman, I gave the wrong page.
A. It's page 1578 and it refers to 5th Apri1 2013.
Q. CHA RMAN How does the paragraph start?
A. I don't have it, I just have the quote from Ms. Carr
in --
MR. COSTELLOE: I wonder is it the fifth paragraph Chairman, I am not sure but I wonder is Mr. Barry referring to that.
CHA RMAN How does it start?

285 Q. CHA RMAN Thanks very much. Now, you see, is that the one? Are you looking at your own notes or what are you doing?
A. I am looking at a note that I made from this, Mr. Chairman, from the page.
Q. CHAN RMAN okay. So anyway, here we are, and Mr. Costelloe says is this the one "A further e-mail"?
A. No, what I have --
Q. CHA RMAN First of all, tell us what you have. You think it's Ms. Monica Carr saying something?
A. Yes, Mr. Chairman.
Q. CHA RMAN what do you have her recorded as saying, so at least we will start there?
A. In the statement of Monica Carr on 5th Apri1 2013, and I quote "He understands that a case conference is convened for Mbnday, di recting that --"

Sorry, I have gone ahead of myself. It is in relation to 19th March 2014 at 10.30am by Chief Superintendent Dillane, he states "Spoke with Commi ssi oner Fanni ng, di scussed the case. I expl ai ned devel opments si nce I requested a transfer, he told me to discipline him"

CHN RMAN what's that again, I didn't hear the last bit?
Q. MR. MEGARRY: Can I just ask, Mr. Barry, what are you reading from there, just so we are clear on this?
A. I had made a note in relation to the page and document --

290 Q. CHA RMAN You are reading from your note.
A. Yes.

291 Q. MR. MEGARRY: what is it a note of, Mr. Barry?

CHA RMAK It's a note of -- I take it's a note of this page, because that's the one you referred us to, 1578, is that right? Or is it a reference to Chief Superintendent Dillane's statement?

MR. MtGARRY: Chairman, I just have a concern if Mr. Barry is giving evidence by reference to some notes that he has prepared for the purposes of answering questions as opposed to have contemporaneous notes about facts that occurred at the time. I know

Mr. Murphy raised this issue previously but I am just not sure what it is Mr. Barry is answering the question by reference to.
292 Q. CHA RMAN Mr. Barry, what are you referring to? You have your own computer in front of you.
A. Yes, I made a mistake, Mr. Chairman, in relation to that.

CHA RMAN Wait now, we will come back to this. we are on a different tack now just for a moment. what's on your computer that you're referring to?
A. I was referring to that page 2085, I was incorrectly thinking that this was -- would have answered the question.

CHA RMAN I am just querying something else, because Ms. McGarry has raised a question and in fairness, Mr. Murphy did raise it previous7y, and I understood a different situation. You have your own personal computer in front of you?
A. Yes, sir.

295 Q CHA RMAN what notes are on your -- what is written on
your personal -- tell me the nature of the document that you're consulting?
A. I was --

CHA RMAN No, no, wait now, "I was" is not the answer. Sorry "I was" cannot be the answer to my question. I want to know what is on your computer. Sorry, I'm not making this difficult, it's simple enough: what's on your computer?
A. It's my short notes made from the document submitted to the Tribunal.

297 Q. CHA RMAN Right. Fine. So when you were studying the documents submitted to you by the Tribunal, the many volumes, so I quite understand that, you made notes on your computer?
A. That's correct.
A. Yes.

299 Q. CHA RMAN How many pages are there in your notes, just while we're on the subject?
A. There was 18 pages in total.

300 Q. CHA RMAN Okay. So you have an 18-page summary to he1p you master the documents and what you want to know and that is what is in front of you now, so that when Mr. McGarry asks you a question, you are able to say, look at page 1578 and you wil1 find something from Monica Carr, is that right?
A. Yes, Mr. Chairman, yes.

301 Q. CHA RMAN okay.
A. But I have the incorrect page number referenced on my

302 Q.
Q.

CHA RMAN Nobody is going to -- sorry, you're not going to be trouble over making a mistake on the page numbering. Don't be worrying about that.

Okay, if anybody wants to ask you any more about the nature of your notes, at least we have now clarified what they are. okay?
A. Yes, Mr. Chairman.

303 Q. CHA RMAN Now, the question is: Mr. McGarry is asking you where do you get the idea -- sorry, where do you get the evidence or the proposition that Assistant Commissioner Fanning told, instructed or ordered Chief Superintendent Dillane to discipline you? where do you 12:16 get that?

MR. MEGRRY: Without an investigation.
CHA RMAN No, no, don't mind without an investigation. Don't mind an investigation. I am sorry, Mr. McGarry, if you don't mind, Mr. McGarry, do it my way for a moment and then I'11 back off. MR. MEGARRY: Sorry, Chairman.
304 Q. CHA RMAN So let's keep it very simple, where is the instruction that Assistant Commissioner Fanning gave to Chief Superintendent Dillane to discipline you?
A. I'm sorry, I don't have the correct page, Mr. Chairman, but I believe it is contained in Ms. Monica Carr's statement to the Tribunal.

305 Q.
statement to the Tribunal and we will see what she says about it.

MR. COSTELLOE: Do you want that page, Chairman?
CHA RMAN Yes, please, Mr. Costelloe.
MR. COSTELLOE: 1575 is the commencement of Ms. Carr's 12:17 statement.

CHA RMAN Thank you very much. 1575. That's great. MR. COSTELLOE: That's just where it starts.
CHA RMAN I know, obviously it goes on for however long it goes. Thanks very much, you're very good.
Thank you. So, can you help us about this, Mr. Barry, or will we just scroll down and read it for ourselves and see what we see.
A. Well, I'm sorry, Mr. Chairman, I can't help you. I have made an incorrect page reference.

306 Q. CHA RMAN That's okay.
A. I don't have it.

CHA RMAN We better scroll down here, thanks very much.
MR. MEGARRY: Chairman, I don't wish to take up an undue amount of time dealing with that specific issue, obviously if Mr. Costelloe wants to identify it and deal with it in his own examination. CHA RMAN Are you happy to leave it there?
MR. MtGARRY: We11, I just want to put the position of Assistant Commissioner Fanning to Mr. Barry.
307 Q. CHA RMAN Very good, I completely understand, and you're perfectly entitled to do that, Mr. McGarry. As far as I'm concerned, it's a matter, if anybody wants
to clear it up, and obviously we're aware of hearsay and everything else. But at least we can see what Mr. Barry is referring to. But, Mr. Barry, what Mr. McGarry is putting to you in the first place, is that Chief Superintendent Dillane's statement does not say that Assistant Commissioner Fanning ordered him to discipline you.
A. Yes, Mr. Chairman, I understand that, but I believe there was a reference to that particular direction in Ms. Monica's statement.
308 Q. CHA RMAN But Ms. Monica Carr was not the person who was speaking in the conversation. The two people were Assistant Commissioner Fanning and Chief Superintendent Dillane, isn't that right?
A. I accept that, Chairman.

309 Q. CHAD RMAN So what Ms. Monica Carr says or doesn't say is basically irrelevant?
MR. COSTELLOE: Excuse me, Chairman. It's entirely a matter for Mr. McGarry, but if it assists him or if you wish to rely upon it in that question you just put to my client, 1578 includes the reference which was quoted on the previous page that Mr. Barry said was erroneous, so, if you go to the top --
CHA RMAN Well, let's go for it, Mr. McGarry. I am going to go and let's find out, page 1578. Thank you, Mr. Costelloe, for your assistance.
MR. COSTELLOE: Not at all, Chair. It's the paragraph that begins on page 1578, "A further e- mail was recei ved".

CHA RMAN Thank you very much. Okay.
MR. COSTELLOE: That was also quoted on the previous document.

CHA RMAN Thanks very much. Let's have a look at
this.
A. I believe that could be further -- I don't have the exact page. But I recall, to the best of my memory I recall seeing that in Ms. Carr's statement. Some reference to it.
311 Q. I suggest to you that it is not that part of it in any event?
A. Absolutely, it's not that part. I apologise.

312 Q. You see, I suggest to you that the notion that Assistant Commissioner Fanning would suggest such a thing without an investigation is nonsensical having regard to the position that Assistant Commissioner Fanning was in?
A. I wouldn't agree, because Chief Superintendent Dillane made enquiries as a result of that direction.
313 Q. I suggest to you that Assistant Commissioner Fanning will say this in his evidence, that at no stage did he do anything other than suggest an option to Chief Superintendent Dillane in relation to discipline, the possibility of discipline can be considered?
A. I was referring to Chief Superintendent Dillane's notes in relation to my reference.
Q. And that further, even if it could be construed as some sort of a direction that you were to be disciplined, the notion that that could ever happen without an investigation makes no sense?
A. Yes, it would have to be investigated, yes.
Q. But your complaint in your evidence was, you said it on two separate occasions you said, this is the man who suggested that $I$ be disciplined without an investigation?
A. We11, he didn't suggest that there would be an investigation into a breach of discipline, he said, he should be disciplined.
Yes, but again I suggest to you, and I will finish with this question, $I$ am suggesting to you that having regard to the position that Assistant Commissioner Fanning held, he was in charge of Human Resources, discipline was what he -- was a major part of his function, isn't that right?
A. Among other things, yes.

317 Q. Yes. Of all the people that would know that you can't engage in any process of discipline without an investigation, Assistant Commissioner Fanning is exactly the type of person who would know that, isn't that right?
A. Yes.

318 Q. And as I understand it, your complaint in relation to the request for temporary workplace accommodations
revolves around the fact that this was funneled through Assistant Commissioner Quilter, is that right?
A. Yes.

And your complaint is, I think, if I understand it correctly, that Assistant Commissioner Fanning ought not to have done that because Assistant Commissioner Quilter was in some way implicated in what you had been saying to them?
A. I didn't think it was appropriate at the time, yes.
Q. Did you ever say that to Assistant Commissioner Fanning?
A. I replied to Chief Superintendent Grogan in relation to it and after that I believe Chief Superintendent Grogan forwarded my concerns to A/C Nolan.
I have to suggest to you that Assistant Commissioner Fanning's position is that it was completely normal for him to channe 1 the communications in that way, having regard to the various positions that Assistant Commissioner quilter and Chief Superintendent Dillane occupied, there was nothing remotely unusual about that?
A. But I didn't think it was appropriate considering the connection.
Q. You never actually met Assistant Commissioner Fanning, did you?
A. Never.

323 Q. Never spoke to him at all?
A. No.

324 Q. Okay. It follows obviously that you never told him
that you made a protected disclosure?
A. I had made that clear to HRM when I submitted my original complaint.
Q. You see, I have to suggest to you that as with the other issues that you have identified, all of the things that you say amount to bullying or targeting are essentially subjective things, they're your view about what happened, isn't that right?
A. I am going by what I have seen in discovery and whatever, that I don't think it is appropriate that somebody should be directed to interview my doctor when she's trying to do her best for my welfare.
326 Q. Thank you, Mr. Barry.

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MR. MEGARRY: Chairman, can I just formally reserve the position with regard to the issue of the notes that Mr. Barry is using. That can perhaps be dealt with, if necessary, in correspondence separately with the
Tribuna1. I am not going to do anything by saying anything more about it for the moment. I just want to reserve the position.
CHA RMAN Well, I suppose it's only fair to Mr. Barry and to everybody else to say, if there's any issue
about this, then I think counsel are entitled to raise it. And I will hear in due course, if necessary, if nobody says anything, I don't propose to do anything about it, if -- now, I am not making any criticism of
you've, Mr. Barry, in saying this. Somebody may suggest that a criticism ought to be levelled at you. I am not assuming any such thing and I am certainly not assuming that any such criticism would be justified.
THE WTNESS: I understand.
CHA RMAN So what I am saying is: If anybody has an issue to raise, they are free to raise it with me. I think probably the appropriate time is probably two o'clock, I think possibly, so as not to interrupt that flow of what's happening, and I would tentatively think 12:26 that if people wanted I would direct that -- sorry, subject to what Mr. Costelloe says, but I think that the possibility, the option would be to direct Mr . Barry to make his notes available for examination or inspection. I will only do that if counsel suggest there's a good reason for doing so. I am assuming that he made the notes as he says he did, which would be understandable given the huge volume of material that we have circulated. So that would be understandable, it seems to me, to make notes in some shape or form.

So if any party wishes to make a submission about that, please do so and I will consider the position and hear what anybody has to say and consider the position.

My disposition at the moment, however, is to do nothing, unless somebody applies with a particular application. So that's where we go with that.

329 Q. Did you recollect reading that previously?
A. I do.

330 Q. Is that what you were referring to a moment ago when

MR. COSTELLOE: Thank you, Chairman. Good afternoon, Mr. Barry.
A. Good afternoon, Mr. Costelloe.

328 Q. I hadn't intended starting here but as it is probably freshest in all of our memory, given that Mr. McGarry was just asking you about it and it appeared that had you got the wrong page number or at least according to your evidence, could I ask you please to direct yourself to page 2085. We have been told by the Tribunal that these are typed notes in redacted format given by Mr. Dillane from his journal entries. If I ask you to go down to Wednesday, 19th March 2014, to the entry of 10.30am, would you go read that, please?
A. "10. 30am spoke with A/C Fanni ng." Redacted then. "Paul Barry di scussed the case. I expl ai ned devel opments since I requested his transfer. Tol d me thinks appropriate. Thanks very much Mr. Costelloe.

## MR. PAUL BARRY WAS EXAM NED BY MR. COSTELLO AS FOLLOVS:

you were saying you'd seen it in the notes?
A. But I also saw a reference in Monica Carr's notes.
Q. But in any event, you also recall seeing that entry on a previous occasion?
A. I do.

332 Q. All right. Let's go back then to get some things out of the way. You are obviously aware of the fact that the Chairman is obligated to look at various categories of complaint. We know that they're under headings 1 through to 8 and they have been in some shape or form amended over the last number of months, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.

333 Q. And you have been, during the course of your direct examination and, indeed, by my friends in
cross-examination, referred to various aspects of those complaints, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.

Could we deal please first then with your complaint regarding number 6, Chief Superintendent Catherine
Kehoe, and I am going to call this, in an umbrella sense if you will, the complaint about the investigation in relation to the three categories that you raised, isn't that right?
A. That's correct.
okay. Your position now $I$ think is that while you maintain that her investigation was unduly lengthy to the point at which it was wrong because it took so long to be completed, you're not persisting with the balance
of your complaints in respect of Chief Superintendent Kehoe, isn't that correct?
A. That is correct.
Q.

So, to put that another way, if it's of assistance to my friends, more importantly to the Chairman, in respect of 6A you persist with your concern but in respect of the balance of category 6 you no longer are pursuing that complaint?
A. That is correct.

337 Q.
Thank you. Could I move then to number 7, please. And 12:31 again I will use the same method and if my friends have an objection, I will gladly rephrase. But this is in relation to your complaints to do with the conduct of Assistant Commissioner Fanning and Chief superintendent Grogan, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.
Q. Specifically about them, you asserting, targeting or discrediting you and we have heard about that over the last number of days; isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.

339 Q. It is correct to say that you are no longer pursuing any complaint or allegation about being targeted by Chief Superintendent Grogan; isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.

340 Q. In fairness, I think that was elicited by
Mr. McGuinness in direct-examination and you gave an answer to that effect, but for the avoidance of doubt, because it has been touched upon again in cross-examination, that is your position?
A. That is my position.

CHA RMAN So the complaint remains against Assistant Commissioner Fanning but it does not remain against Chief Superintendent Grogan?
MR. COSTELLOE: Forgive me for throwing that question over to Mr. Barry, Chairman, but is that correct, Mr. Barry?
341 Q. CHA RMAN Is that right, Mr. Barry?
A. That's right.

342 Q
CHA RMAN We can exclude Chief Superintendent Grogan but you're maintaining your complaint against Assistant Commissioner Fanning?
A. Yes, Mr. Chairman.

CHA RMAN Thank you. I'm not expressing any -- do you know what I mean, I am just clarifying it.
A. I understand.

CHAN RMAN Thank you very much, Mr. Costelloe.
MR. COSTELLOE: Thank you, Chairman.
343 Q. With the balance of the grounds or categories, however one wishes to refer to them, it remains your position that a relevant wrongdoing is borne out in respect of each of those categories, by which I mean a relevant wrongdoing for the purposes of this inquiry, isn't that the case?
A. That is correct.

344 Q. Okay. Your letter, it's at page 86, I am not going to ask the Chair to refer to it again, is the letter that sets out under heading 1 to 9 , grounds 1-9 if you recall, this is the letter addressed to Superintendent

Pat Lordan, your complaints up to 2nd October 2012, isn't that correct?
A. That is correct.

345 Q. No criticism is intended by the manner in which I phrase this question, to you or to anybody who has been 12:33 questioning but this, but where certain categories or certain numbers of those complaints have been put to you, not all of them have, you're aware of that fact -
A. I am, yes.

346 Q

- it remains your position that all of those complaints are valid and you stand over each of those complaints?
A. I do, yes.
Q. And again, I wouldn't propose to go through each and every one of them, except to say it's fair to comment, isn't it, that you do highlight in that letter, in the penultimate paragraph, that you identify number 9, and we won't get into the specifics of it, but number 9 , dealing with the, if I put this as benignly as I can, sexual assault allegations, the investigation of the sexual assault allegations, you do say that in your opinion that's the most serious of them all?
A. Absolutely, yes.

348 Q. You have previously explained that you were trying to deal with these chronologically, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.
A. That is correct.

350 Q. Could we try and get some, what I am going to the suggest to the Chairman at some point, are minor issues out of the way, other people may disagree, but it seems that there just might have been a small bit of confusion about one or two things and I want to try and see if we can clarify this. On the first day of your evidence - and, Chairman, I am referring to page 135 of the transcript for the purposes of the record - you were talking about the, and again I don't wish to put any weight in respect of how $I$ am describing the document, but the disciplinary notice, you remember this, this is you being late and being disciplined?
A. That's correct.

CHA RMAN The Regulation 10 notice.
351 Q. MR. COSTELLOE: Thank you. Why don't we deal with it that way instead. We'11 call it the Regulation 10 notice. At least one of my colleagues had something to say about whether or not it amounts to discipline or not and I am not getting into that right now. But as I 12:35 understand it, that was actually served on the 2 nd, the day after rather, which would have been 2nd August 2012, not on the day that you were late, or have I got that wrong?
A. No, that's correct, what you say is correct. It was the day after.

352 Q. Sorry, please finish your answer, I didn't mean to interrupt?
A. It was the day after the allegation that $I$ was late.

353 Q. And insofar as it may appear that you were saying that you had that served upon you, the Regulation 10 notice served upon you on the day that you were late, that's not what you're saying, it was the following day?
A. No, it was the following day, yes.
Q. Could we go to the occasion upon which you say you met with Mr. Dillane and Mr. O'Sullivan, I am not entirely sure whether or not they are still -- I think Inspector O'Sullivan is still a serving member of An Garda Síochána, but it is now Mr. Dillane, I think?
A. That's correct.

357 Q. Yes.
A. At approximately ten to nine at night.

358 Q. Yes.
A. And I saw that Chief Superintendent Dillane was sitting in his car with Inspector O'Sullivan in the passenger
seat. They got out of the car when I parked up and approached me, and said they want to discuss the CMO meeting the previous day. We went into the garda station, I believe it was into the sergeant's office, where the interaction occurred.

I am not asking to you go back over the interaction, you've already given your evidence on that, but the sequence of events then is that you arrive in the car park, you see them sitting in a parked car, this is at approximately ten to nine pm on the 9th April, they get ${ }_{12: 37}$ out of the parked car, they speak with you in the car park and then you go inside and you think in the sergeant's room you have a conversation with them present?
A. That is correct.

360 Q. Thank you. One final matter then which again it may just have been because various medical certificates were being referred to in cross-examination yesterday. But it was put to you yesterday in cross-examination that the medical certificate which at that point in cross-examination was being referred to, did not actually name Mr. Comyns on the certificate. Do you remember that line of questioning yesterday when you were being cross-examined?
A. Yes.

361 Q. Okay. If I can just ask Mr. Murphy to go to page 198 of the book of documents. Mine won't open. would you mind scrolling down, Mr. Murphy. That's perfect, just there. Would you read that paragraph, the on1y
substantial paragraph in that letter please?
CHA RMAN We can read that, Mr. Costelloe. He doesn't need to read it.

MR. COSTELLOE: Thank you, Chairman. I didn't know how you wanted me to proceed with putting matters on the record.

362 Q. But can we all agree that that says that you should not come into contact with Superintendent Michael Comyns?
A. That is correct.

363 Q.
Okay. In respect of ground number 4, sub-ground (I), so 4(I), you make a specific complaint concerning Mr. John Barrett and a letter concerning Mr. John Barrett; isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.

364 Q. So we have all in front of us. This is a reference to Chief Superintendent Dillane, that he targeted you by stating in a letter to Mr. John Barrett dated 7th August 2015 that Sergeant Barry was having a negative effect on policing in the Fermoy district.
A. That is correct.

365 Q. You have already explained that you persist, you maintain with that complaint, you recall being cross-examined about whether or not it had been said that you were having a negative effect on policing in the district?
A. It hadn't been said to me. This was included in the Chief Superintendent Dillane's report to the review board, the transfers review board.

366 Q. Yes.
A. And that was the first time $I$ had seen it.

MR. COSTELLOE:
So that's the letter you're referring to, correct?
A. That's correct.

370 Q. Mr. Murphy, can I ask you please to scroll down to the second page and stop at the second paragraph beginning "on 13th Septenber". There we have it. This paragraph reads:
"On 13th September 2012 I met with Sergeant Barry by appoi nt ment as l wanted to enquire into his wel fare. During the course of the meeting he told me that he di dn't want to di scuss his absence with me, as I was stationed in the same garda station as Superintendent

Comyns. "

Now, this has been the subject of some cross-examination, this is a reference to, I use this word neutrally, the meeting of the 13th September. Was 12:41 this meeting in person or otherwise?
A. There was no physical meeting on the 13th September, that was a phone call. Chief Superintendent Dillane said we met in Watergrasshill.
Q. Yes.
A. The only meeting I had with Chief Superintendent Dillane was the 13th October at Grandon's in Glanmire.
372 Q. And you have maintained that position throughout?
A. Absolutely, yes.

373 Q. And then moving on then I suppose, just would you mind please, Mr. Murphy, scroll down a little bit further for me, to the paragraph that begins "on 13th October 2012". There we have it, right there. That is in fact -- according to you, that is in fact the only occasion upon which you physically met with Chief Superintendent 12:42 Dillane to discuss this issue?
A. Yes, while on the sick leave. That is the only physical meeting we had.
374 Q. And then the next page, which is page 120 of the book of documents, could I ask you please to go down to the ${ }_{\text {12:42 }}$ middle of that page, Mr. Murphy, you should see a paragraph that begins "I subsequently wrote". There we go. This is a paragraph that states:
"I subsequently wrote to HRM seeking advi ce as l felt the situation proposed by solicitor Séan Costello was not real istic and al so pointing out the advice from Garda Si ck Section that Sergeant Barry was unfit for duty."

Were you aware of the fact that he been writing to the Garda Sick Section at that stage?
A. No, I was not.
Q. And again, insofar as that was alluded to in cross-examination, this is the letter from Chief Superintendent Dillane where he refers to the fact that he did in fact point that out to Garda sick Section, correct?
A. That's correct.
Q. If we move onto the next page, which is 121 , and stop at the first paragraph there. You will see the last sentence of that paragraph, Chief Superintendent Dillane stating to HRM that:
"I told Sergeant Barry that anything we do in respect of provi ding hi mwith temporary workpl ace accommdation has to be done by mutual agreement but must al so be reasonable and practicable."

Is that your recollection of that conversation?
A. That is my recollection, yes.

377 Q. I'm sorry, I couldn't hear you?
A. He did reference that the accommodation should be
mutual and agreeable.
378 Q. Yes. And then he goes on to say that he told, "I told Ser geant Barry --"

No, you had it there. Thank you, Mr. Murphy. "I tol d Sergeant Barry that his current work arrangements had to cease i mmedi atel y and that l could not allow themto conti nue. I referred to the doctor's certificate which he supplied from Dr. Anne Ki el y."

Again, was this something is you recollect being told to you by Chief Superintendent Dillane?
A. Not the in relation to the meeting on the 9th April. He did dismiss my doctor's certificate on that night, yes, but it was Dr. Margaret Kiely.
Q. I think it's common case, we all know that he is talking about the same Dr. Kiely there?
A. Yes, sorry.
Q. I don't think there are two different Dr. Kielys. with regard to the substance of that statement though, that he told you that your then current work arranges could not continue, that they had to "cease i mmedi atel y", was that something that was said to you at that meeting?
A. I believe it was, yes.

381 Q. Again for the purpose of the record perhaps if for no other reason, if I ask you to move down, Mr. Murphy, to the paragraph on the same page, it begins with "I then outlined to Sergeant Barry". Yes, that's it right there. Will you refer yourself please, Mr. Barry, to
the third line, the sentence beginning "I tol d himthat I bel i eved", do you see that sentence there?
A. Yes.
" l tol d himthat I bel i eved that Fermoy Garda Station and working with Superintendent $M$ chael Comyns was a safe working envi ronment."

Do you recollect him telling you that?
A. I can't say that I do, no, at this point but I don't dispute that it was said.

383 Q. Okay. And again, this would have been on 9th April 2013?
A. That's correct.

384 Q. After you had begun the whole process and after you had handed in your letters from your doctor, Dr. Kiely?
A. That is correct.

385 Q. If you turn to the next page then, please. This is page 122, the paragraph beginning "On 1st May 2013." CHA RMAN The little wheel, Mr. Costelloe, is stopping us.

386 Q. MR. COSTELLOE: I often fee1 that way myself, Chairman! Okay. So, yes, that's the paragraph there Mr. Murphy Yes, that's the paragraph there, Mr. Murphy, thank you very much. This is a paragraph, the second paragraph on the page that reads:
"On 1st May 2013, I spoke with Superintendent M chael Comyns, who informed me that he was experiencing serious difficulties in the administration of Fermy
di strict due to the work practices of Sergeant Barry."

First of all, were you aware of the fact that this was being communicated by Superintendent Comyns to Chief Superintendent Dillane?
A. No, I was not.

387 Q. Do you wish to make any comment about the comment of that sentence?
A. I don't believe I was causing serious difficulties. I was abiding by my doctor's certificate and I was willing to engage with Inspector O'Sullivan at all times.
388 Q. Thank you. If we move down to the very end of that page, $\mathrm{please}, \mathrm{Mr}$. Murphy. There should be a paragraph beginning "on 3rd April 2014". Yes.
"On 3rd April 2014, I was attending a meeting in Garda Headquarters and during lunch hour l called in to Dr. Donal Collins, CMD, to di scuss the matter of Sergeant Barry with him During the discussi on he called Dr. Oghuvbu into his office and outlined the situation frommy perspective. The doctor advi sed me that having di scussed Sergeant Barry's probl emwith his GP, he had concl uded that this matter is a health and saf ety issue for the organi sation, as Sergeant Barry
percei ves that having contact with Superintendent Comyns will affect his health and well being. I i mmedi at el y requested a case conference be hel d as this was the first timel had been informed of this and l
felt totally let down by advi ces l was previ ously gi ven. The situation had now changed froma management problemto a health and safety issue for the or gani sation. "

Had you any knowledge of that?
A. No, I did not.

389 Q. okay. And again, it's clearly stated there, this was on 3rd February 2014, if we put it this way, well into the process at this stage?
A. Yes. And I believe this was the same date that he sought the backing of the CMO to have me disciplined.
Q. Yes. Then, where $I$ began, but I am finally getting there, if we go to page 124 , at the top of the page, second paragraph, on the 3rd February he talks about the report he receives by Superintendent Comyns, I am not going to traverse all that all over again, we've had that. But then the next paragraph:
"I i mmedi at el y conveyed this inf ormation to Human Resource Management to emphasise the urgency to have Sergeant Barry transferred out of the Fermoy Garda Station as l felt that his presence was having a negative impact on the policing of the area."

That's the reference to negative impact that you referred to, is that correct?
A. That's correct.

MR. HARTY: Sorry to interrupt, Mr. Costelloe appears
to have made a small but perhaps important --
MR. COSTELLOE: I can't hear you, Mr. Harty.
MR. HARTY: Sorry. Mr. Costelloe appears to have made a small but important error in relation to what he read out there, he read it out as Fermoy Garda station as opposed to Fermoy Garda District.
MR. COSTELLOE: I apologised to my Friend, Chairman, I didn't realise I had made that mistake. The chair has it.
CHAI RMAN Yes.
MR. COSTELLOE: It is "Fermoy Garda Di strict, as l felt that his presence was being a negative impact on the polices of the area." That's the reference there.
CHA RMAN And the reference would be to Mitchelstown, which is in Fermoy Garda District, as understand it.
MR. COSTELLOE: Yes.
CHA RMAN Isn't that right, we're all agreed on that?
MR. COSTELLOE: Yes.
CHA RMAN So that if he was saying I want him moved out of Fermoy -- he wasn't in the station.
MR. COSTELLOE: No, no.
CHA RMAN But he was in the district.
MR. COSTELLOE: Yes.
CHA RMAN Because he was in Mitchelstown Garda Station.
MR. COSTELLOE: I apologise for creating any confusion there.

CHAL RMAN No.
MR. COSTELLOE: It's very clear that is what is being
referred to when one reads the content of the paragraph that precedes it, it is a reference to Mitchelstown. CHA RMAN I think it is clear, Mr. Costelloe.
MR. COSTELLOE: why is it that you believe you were being targeted -- sorry, is that the last? Yes, that is the letter that you were referring to.
A. Yes. That --

392 Q. Sorry, just bear with me, Mr. Barry, that's the letter that you were referring to?
A. Yes.

And that specific reference to negative impact is what you are referring to therein?
A. That's correct.
Q. okay. Having acknowledged that then, why is it that you feel you were being targeted by virtue of the content of that letter?
A. Because I was not informed of this conference that he referred to, the Transfers Review Board, it was only when I got this documentation was the first I heard about the complaint, that he had reference to HRM in an 12:51 attempt to have me transferred.
Q. And what's specifically about the fact that he's referring to you as having a negative impact, do you have anything to say about that?
A. Yes, that was never put to me, that I was having a negative impact on the district and I rebuked his allegation.
396 Q. Now, the next thing that I'd like to deal with, I am going to use the sub-heading, the issue of transfers,
okay. There is, within the body of material that we have been supplied, a letter from the same gentleman that the previous letter was addressed to, this is Mr. John Barrett, and it's addressed to the Chairman of the Members of Transferred Review Body. It's to be found under a covering letter at page 128, the letter in substance begins at 129. 129.

Now, this is a lengthy enough letter, I am not going to go through all of it again but it may be that the
Chairman in due course may find it helpful because it sets out various dates in respect of which formal efforts of transferring you were made under different headings. One being to Fermoy Garda Station and one being to Anglesea Street Garda station. You're aware of this letter, isn't that correct?
A. I am, yes.

397 Q. The dates that are referred to in the body of this letter appear to be correct, isn't that right?
A. Yes, they do.

398 Q. Now, dealing with that letter then, it refers, as I just put to you, to specific transfers that we all agree I think, there's no doubt about this, were formal efforts that were made to transfer you from Mitchelstown Garda Station, correct?
A. That's correct.

399 Q. The first being an effort made on the 19th January -this is on the second page of the letter, Chairman, under the heading Transfer to Fermoy Garda Station.
"On 19th January 2014, Sergeant Paul Barry was directed on transfer by Executive Di rector, Human Resources and Peopl e Devel opment from M tchel stown Garda St at i on to Fermoy Garda Station. Sergeant Barry appeal ed this transfer to assi stant commi ssi oner Human Resources Management on 5th March 2014."

You have already agreed with us that that did happen and that is an accurate summary of what went on, correct?
A. Yes, that's correct.

400 Q. What was the outcome then? Again for the record, what was the outcome of that, your appeal to that?
A. That the transfer was cancelled.

401 Q. That yes, it was cancelled. Now, if we go to page -- I will be coming back to that document in a moment, Mr. Murphy, but first can we go please to page 430. This, we have been told, Mr. Barry, is an e-mail that is sent to the assistant commissioner Human Resources Management by Chief Superintendent Dillane. It was sent on 10th December 2013 at 14:36, do you see that?
A. Yes, I do.

402 Q. okay. It says:
"Re proposed transfer of Ser geant Paul Barry." It gives your epaulet number. "M tchel stown Garda Station to Fermy Garda Station." I won't go through the content of it, but it says -- well, again, perhaps to
be fair, I should. Just to read it out:
"I wi sh to have Sergeant Barry, Mtchel stown Garda Station, transferred to Fermoy Garda Station. The reason for this transfer is to try to ensure the del ivery of an efficient policing service in the new Fermoy di strict, whi ch has been expanded in the di strict amal gamations."

If I pause there for a moment. Do you have any comment ${ }_{12: 55}$ to make upon that particular assertion, that the proposed transfer was for efficiency reasons?
A. It would have been contrary to my health to have me transferred at that time.
403 Q. It goes on:
"The mini mum requi rement for Fermoy Garda Station, which is a di visional and district headquarters, is one unit sergeant on each of the five units. Si nce the introduction of the new roster systemthere is one unit ${ }^{12: 56}$ at Fermoy Garda Station without any supervising sergeant and I believe that it's more important that the unit sergeant is based in Fermoy rather than at Mtchel stown county Cork."

Do you have any comment to make about that?
A. I don't agree with his rationale for the transfer.

404 Q. Okay. Obviously he's a superior officer who's tasked with, amongst other things, locating members of an

Garda Síochána, placing them, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.
Q. Okay. "Ser geant Barry is resi di ng. .. and the di stance he has to travel to work will be reduced by 30 kil ometres each day."

Is that factually correct, by the way?
A. It would be there or thereabouts. It's approximately 10 miles to Mitchelstown. So that's factually correct.
407 Q. Another 10 miles, basically?
A. Ten miles each way. So probably 30 kilometres would be correct, yes.
408 Q. So no issue there with that?
A. No.

409 Q. "In 2004 a similar proposal was made to have Sergeant
Barry transferred from M tchel stown Garda Station to Fer moy Garda Station and Ser geant Barry successfully appeal ed this transferred. This appeal was successful on the grounds that he had rel atives residing in Gl anmire, Co. Cork, within the Cork north di vi si on

I think that actually might be the wrong code reference, but in any event, we know what we are
speaking of.
"On 11th November 2013, Glanmire sub- di strict became part of Cork City di vi si on and these grounds should now no longer be valid as it is in a different di vi si on and 12:57 Cork City di vision is exempt the ternゅ of code 8. 3."

Do you have any comment to make upon that?
A. That he was referencing my relations, as he knew from 2004, but one of my relations was then residing in the Watergrasshill sub-district. So that would mean that that exemption could not be effected.

410 Q. Okay. And then he goes on to say that he's requesting that transfer. Now, we've already established that this was an e-mail that was sent on 10th December 2013, 12:58 and it is referenced in the previous document, which is the document to the transfers board from Mr. John Barrett, referring to the transfer request of 19th January 2014. That's all correct, yes?
A. That's correct.

411 Q. okay. At that time, who was the superintendent in charge of Fermoy Garda Station?
A. Superintendent Comyns.

412 Q. So, if in fact that transfer had been successful, you would have been under the direct supervision, as in, actually in the same station, as Superintendent Comyns?
A. That is correct.

413 Q. And this was a request that was made by Chief Superintendent Dillane well into the process of you
making complaints and furthering medical certificates setting out what you said were the consequences of the bullying and the stress that you had been enduring at Mitchelstown Garda Station as a member of An Garda Síochána, correct?
A. That's correct.

414 Q. Were you aware at the time, either in December of 2013 or in January 2014, that this request was being made to move you to Fermoy?
A. I believe it was -- it's in my diary entries there, where the first I heard of the transfer to Fermoy was from Inspector Eddie Golden, that he had spoken with Chief Superintendent Dillane and that he was going to transfer me to Glanmire and he was contacting B branch about it.
415 Q. Okay. There are a couple of different things in that. First of all, who is Inspector Golden, how is it that you had any dealings with him?
A. Inspector Golden approached Chief Superintendent Dillane in relation to me being allocated to Fermoy on Pulse, because Inspector Gallagher, who was my official rep, was not available.
416 Q. Okay, these are AGSI reps?
A. That's correct.

417 Q. So you had gone to Michael Gallagher, there's a statement in the documents, we needn't open it right now, he was unavailable, so you went one above him effectively, to the inspector, Inspector Golden?
A. That's correct.


Q. And Inspector Golden raised the issue with Chief Superintendent Dillane, this all coming from the fact that your status appeared to have changed on the Pulse data base system, whereby you were no longer down as serving at Mitchelstown Garda Station but rather parading for duty at Fermoy Garda Station?
A. That's correct.
Q. That therefore -- sorry, Chairman, I beg your pardon? CHA RMAN No, no. Tell me whenever you would like to break, Mr. Costelloe.
MR. COSTELLOE: Thank you.
CHA RMAN At a convenient point in your examination and so on.

MR. COSTELLOE: Thank you, Chairman. I am sure my friends will be happy to know I am nearly done.

420 Q. Then you reference Fermoy, we have been referencing Fermoy in those questions and answers. -
CHA RMAN I'm sorry to interrupt you once more. If you are overall examination is coming to a close.
MR. COSTELLOE: No.
CHA RMAN Please proceed. Sorry, if you are coming to a convenient point. I am sorry, I just wanted to make that clear, whatever you think fit.

MR. COSTELLOE: Thank you, Chairman.
421 Q. Just because I don't want to leave it there in case I
forget to come back to it, Inspector Golden then references Glanmire Garda Station, what's going on there? why is that relevant?
A. Inspector Golden was told, allegedly, by Chief

Superintendent Dillane that he was going to transfer me to Glanmire and that he was going to contact B branch about it. Now he told Inspector Golden that, but that was the first $I$ heard about it at that time.
422 Q. So correct me if I have the sequencing wrong, there is an e-mail sent to have you transferred in December of 2013, a formal request appears to have been sent in January 2014, after that you become aware, because the Pulse database has changed, that were to be moved to Fermoy Garda Station, you raise that with your AGSI rep, who in turn raises it with Chief Superintendent Dillane and thereafter the reference is that you won't be going to Fermoy but you will be going to Glanmire?
A. That's correct.

423 Q. Glanmire at that time was part of which policing district?
A. At the date in question, $I$ believe it was still part of Fermoy district -- or cork north.

424 Q. Cork north. And who was in charge at that stage of cork north?
A. In Glanmire it would have been the superintendent in Cobh.

425 Q. In any event, the same district in which Fermoy was at that time.
A. No, it would be the Cobh district, sorry.

426 Q. Start again, because I think I misled you with the question. Glanmire at that time, was it in the same district as Fermoy Garda Station or not?
A. What was the date?

427 Q beginning of 2014. If you don't know, you don't know?
A. I think at the end of 2013 it went back into Cork City division, so it would have been Cork City division in 2014.
A. And Mayfield.

MR. COSTELLOE: If it's convenient, Chairman. I don't have a great deal 1eft, probably about half an hour. CHA RMAN Be completely at ease, Mr. Costelloe, thank you very much indeed and thank you for your he1p, I quite understand. So, very good, we will say five past two. Thanks very much.

THE HEARI NG AD OURNED FOR LUNCH AND RESUMED, AS FOLLOVS:

CHA RMAN When you're ready, Mr. Costelloe, thanks very much.
MR. COSTELLOE: Thank you, Chairman.
430 Q. Mr. Barry, I was referring you to the letter written to the Transfer Appeals Board, that was the second but one, if you follow me, that was the second last document I referred you to before lunch, you remember
that, don't you?
A. I do, yes.
Q. This is a document that ultimately I think we will be submitting to the Chair is a helpful précis of those particular transfers. It's a document that again is to 14:05 be found at page 129, pages 129 of the papers. You've already agreed -- so if we scroll down, please, on page 130, we've already dealt with the transfer to Fermoy Garda Station. I'm sorry, Mr. Murphy, I beg your pardon.

REG STRAR: I am having a slight issue with the -MR. COSTELLOE: No, no, I wasn't paying attention, excuse me. It's my experience that these things always happen on a Friday afternoon, so I'm not too shocked! Thank you very much, Mr. Murphy.

432 Q. Okay, Mr. Barry, you see there, under the subtitle, sub-paragraph heading, transfer to Fermoy Garda Station, yes?
A. Yes.

We have all right dealt with this, but to fix ourselves in time again, this was 19th January 2014, that it appears the formal request is being made to have you transferred, isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

Mr. Murphy, would you help me please, will you scroll
down to the next page, where you should see the heading "Transfer of Sergeant Paul Barry to Angl esea Street Garda Station." Thank you. Now, moving on then, we see the second of the two transfers referred to in this
letter and that is a transfer mooted or proposed transferring you to Anglesea Street Garda station on 5th February 2015. Now, first of all, those are two formal requests, isn't that correct, those are two stated formal requests to have you moved from Mitchelstown to in the first instance Fermoy and in the second instance Anglesea Street Garda station?
A. That's correct. you to any other garda station?
A. Not officially through HRM.
Q. Dealing unofficially then, what is your understanding of what has happening?
A. I understood when the transfer to Glanmire was under appeal -- or to Fermoy was under appea1, that Chief Superintendent Dillane said that he intended to transfer me to Glanmire.
437 Q. And you covered this in your evidence before lunch, but Glanmire would have been in which particular district?
A. It would have been in Cork City division at that time, in 2014.

438 Q. Sorry for interrupting you, finish your answer, please?
A. It would have been in cork city division in 2014.

439 Q. okay. And as part of cork City division, that would have been the same divisional area as what other stations?
A. It would have been all the Cork City stations, including Mayfield, where...

440 Q. It would have included Mayfield and it would have included Anglesea Street?
A. That's correct.

441 Q. Anglesea Street, was that the divisional headquarters?
A. Yes.

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Q. Okay. Mayfield was a subdivisional garda station and obviously then we're dealing at the moment with your understanding that Glanmire was being mooted or suggested at that time, correct?
A. Yes, Mayfield -- sorry, Mayfield would have been the district headquarters and Glanmire was the sub-district.
Q. So I have interjected one in between. So if there's a hierarchy, if that's a poor way of describing it, I'm sorry, but descanting order, if you will, there's Anglesea Street, Mayfield and then Glanmire?
A. That's correct.
Q. Okay. what, if any, attitude did you have, response did you have to the suggestion that you might be moved to Glanmire?
A. I didn't think it would be possible to do so, because it was verbally communicated to me and there was no formal request from HRM for me to go to Glanmire, so I didn't have to appeal it or anything.
445 Q. Yes. Ignoring the formalities of it, would you have been satisfied to go to Glanmire at that point in time?
A. I would not have, because it was going back into Cork City division, where $I$ believed Superintendent Comyns would eventually be going back into the city from where
he came.
446 Q. This was general scuttlebutt at the time, there was a general rumour going around that Superintendent Comyns was moving back into the city, back into some station in the city, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.

447 Q. Whatever about the source of those rumours, they in fact transpired to be true because ultimately he was in fact moved to Mayfield first, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.
Q. And then ultimately he went from Mayfield, where he was the superintendent in charge, to Anglesea Street, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.

449 Q. Do you know at what time he was moved to Mayfield at? when did that happen?
A. I believe it was in May 2015.

450 Q. Okay. Do you know then when he went from Mayfield to Anglesea Street Garda station?
A. I believe it was after I retired that that was...

451 Q. In relation to the hierarchy that we've already outlined, what would have been the situation vis-à-vis Anglesea Street Garda station and Mayfield Garda station?
A. Well when Superintendent Comyns was transferred to Mayfield he would be answerable to Anglesea Street, but Glanmire then would be answerable to Mayfield.

452 Q. okay. So if, in fact, at that time you had been moved to Glanmire, you would have been working at a station
that would have been answerable to the superintendent in Mayfield, who it transpires became Superintendent Comyns?
A. That's correct, it would be the same situation as Fermoy, Mitchelstown.

453 Q. And this is information that you had from general garda rumour and garda speculation at the time, isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

454 Q. So then moving forward, there is the formal request which is referred to in that letter, the page is open in front of you:
"Transfer of Sergeant Paul Barry to Angl esea Street: On 5th February 2015, a minute was issued from chi ef superintendent HR \& PD. "

Is that Chief Superintendent Grogan or who are we dealing with there, do you know?
A. I don't believe it was chief superintendent Grogan at the time.

455 Q. "To chi ef superintendent Cork north di vision", do you know who that was?
A. That would have Chief Superintendent Dillane.
Q. Yes. "Di recting transfer of Sergeant Paul Barry from Mtchel stown Garda Station to Angl esea Street Garda station on 24th February 2015."

Isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

457 Q. First of all, when did you become aware of the fact that there was a formal ask made to move you to Anglesea Street Garda station from Mitchelstown?
A. I believe it was January, possibly January/February 2015.

458 Q. Yes. And how did that information come to you? In what format and who delivered it?
A. I believe Chief Superintendent Dillane may have discussed it with me at the time.

459 Q. Was your status on the Pulse database at any point around about this time changed?
A. I would have been changed to Anglesea Street when this became official, bulletin. And I appeared on the HR bulletin.

460 Q. Perhaps I am doing you no service by jumping ahead one question then. So, there is a formal request to move you to Anglesea Street Garda station, how did you respond to that formal request?
A. I immediately stated that I would submit an appeal to it.

461 Q. Did you in fact submit an appeal to it?
A. I did, yes.

462 Q. How long after the 5th February do you think you put that appeal in?
A. It would have been within days.

463 Q. While that appeal was pending, was your status in any way changed on the Pulse database?
A. Yes, I was transferred on Pulse into Anglesea Street.

What was the outcome of your appeal in respect of the move to Anglesea Street?
A. The Commissioner at the time denied my appeal and I then appealed the Commissioner's transfer to the appeals board.
468 Q. This necessitated you coming to Dublin to appear before 14:17 that board, is that right?
A. That's correct, I had to come to appeal before the board in May of 2016.

469 Q. Yes. And perhaps it's not necessary to go into what
happened at that, except what was the outcome of that appeal by you?
A. The outcome was that they recommended to the Commissioner not to transfer at the time.
Q. And were you transferred?
A. No.
A. I felt disgusted by it, because $I$ was being sent back to be in contact with Superintendent Comyns.
Q. Well, explain that. How would you have been in contact with Superintendent Comyns if you were being moved into 14:17 the city centre?
A. If I was sent into Anglesea Street Garda station, I believe I would have been in contact with him because he would be reporting regularly to Anglesea Street Garda station.

473 Q. Why would he have been reporting to Anglesea Street Garda Station? In what capacity?
A. He'd be reporting to the chief and for various meetings and briefings or whatever, just the same as I would be reporting to Fermoy in normal terms.
474 Q. Okay. Let me put it this way: On 5th February 2015, what station was Superintendent Comyns paraded at, stationed at, excuse me?
A. I believe it was May ' 15 when he went into Mayfield.

He was still in Fermoy in February.

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Q. I think from his own statement it's actually March but in any event --
A. I believe, yeah, it could be March.

476 Q. In any event, it's after you had become aware of the fact that you were to be moved but while your appeal is pending?
A. That's correct.
Q. You've already said you were aware of rumour anyway, which turned out to be correct, that in fact he was being moved to Mayfield?
A. That's correct.
Q. Other than that particular incident -- I'm sorry, that's not an appropriate way of describing it. Other than that particular occasion upon which your status was changed on the Pulse database, so you went from being stationed at Mitchelstown to being stationed at Anglesea Street as far as the database was concerned, were there ever any other instances where something like that happened?
A. There were. When the transfer to Fermoy became official on a HR bulletin, I was immediately transferred on Pulse to Fermoy. And because of the problems I had dealing with my own incidents, et cetera, I asked Inspector Golden to raise the issue spoke with -- when he spoke with Chief Superintendent Dillane, $I$ was allocated to Fermoy. Within a week after that $I$ was allocated back to Mitchelstown and the
following week I was back in Fermoy again. So my status changed temporarily and then I was reverted back as being transferred to Fermoy. If I could ask, Mr. Murphy, please, would you go to page 1460. Now this is the statement that was provided by Ms. McAulay, you've already alluded to her in your statement. It was a statement provided to the Tribunal by her. She refers to her employment. She's a civilian employee, holding the grade of executive officer, with AGS. Then they goes on to say that:
"I n response to you on the 14th August, you informed Sergeant Barry that as per bulletin 04. 15 he transferred from Mtchel stown Garda Station to Angl esea Street Garda St ation. "

I will just pause there, Chairman, and say that that bulletin is to be found at page 4255. I am not going to ask Mr. Murphy to go to it right now, but it's at 4255.
"A bulletin is a notification of all changes that happened within An Garda Sí ochána for both garda members and civilian staff within a specific time period, such as transfers in, out, promotions, retirements, et cetera."

She goes on to refer to the bulletin in her own statement. Then she goes on to say:
"My response is, retired Sergeant Barry on 14th August 2015 was the correct response as this was the procedure at that specific time and would have been the standard respond gi ven to any member. I have no recollection of retired Sergeant Barry and I have no recollection of the e-mail exchange bet ween the two of us."

First things first, had you read that statement previously?
A. Not before discovery, no.

480 Q. Okay, but after discovery, prior to giving your evidence, have you had sight of that statement?
A. I believe I would have read through it, yes.

481 Q. In reference to her response to you which she said was the correct response, to what is that alluding to? What is that a reference to?
A. I presume it's in reference to the HR bulletin when it comes out. I pointed out to her that there could be five sergeants transferred on that bulletin but I was the only one who was immediately transferred from my station to the new proposed station. Others would not appear in the bulletin until the transfer had actually taken effect.
482 Q. I wonder if it assists you, Mr. Barry, Mr. Murphy, would you go to page 4254 please, upon which we should see, we hopefully will see two e-mails. The one at the bottom is the first in time. So if you scroll down the page, please, Mr. Murphy. There, you should see an
e-mail now. Ostensibly that's from you, would you read that e-mail and tell us if you remember sending it?
A. I do remember sending it, yes. "I amstationed in Mtchel stown Garda Station and yet I amallocated to Angl esea Street Garda Station. As a result private and 14:23 confidential correspondence was i ncorrectly addressed to me at Angl esea Street, where it was opened and then forwarded to Mtchel stown. This has resulted in a breach of my human rights and l would like to have the matter addressed so that no breach occurs in the future. Should you have any queries, I can be cont acted at, on... Forwar ded for your inf ormation pl ease. "

483 Q. Yes, and this is an e-mail that you sent to Human Rights Management Records on 13th August 2015 at half past four in the afternoon, and then one week later you receive a response from the same person who made the statement a moment ago, that was just opened a moment ago, Nicola McAulay, in which she says:
"Hi Paul, according to bulletin 04/ 15 you transferred from Mtchel stown Garda Station to Angl esea Street Garda Station. Garda records can onl y be updated on foot of a bulletin. If bulletin 04/ 15 is incorrect, you will need to contact the transfers section, Garda Headquarters. "

Do you remember receiving that e-mail from her?
A. I do, yes.

484 Q. That appears to be the e-mail that she is referring to as her correct response in the statement that she has made to the Tribunal, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.
Q. Okay. So, to get it straight then, a bulletin, a regular Garda bulletin is issued and amongst the material on the face of the bulletin is the fact that various gardaí, various sergeants have been transferred from one station to another, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.

486 Q. On this particular bulletin, 04/15, there is reference to you being transferred from Mitchelstown Garda Station to Anglesea Street Garda Station, correct?
A. That's correct.

487 Q. Was that the first occasion upon which you became aware of the fact that you had been transferred?
A. I believe it was. I didn't even see the bulletin when it came out initially, it was a member of garda rank rang me to tell me that $I$ was on it.
488 Q. Yes.
A. That was the first $I$ knew of it.

489 Q. Forgetting about that conversation with the other guard, you then made yourself familiar with the content of the bulletin?
A. I did, yes.
Q. And you saw that you, amongst a number of other gardaí, had been designated as transferred. You were moved from one station to another station?
A. I just checked those of sergeant rank, the same as myself, and I would be the only sergeant out of possibly four or five, I can't remember how many were on it, but I was the only one transferred immediately on Pulse.

We11, you have anticipated my next question. When you saw the bulletin, you looked to see if anybody else was recorded on Pulse as having transferred and despite the fact that the bulletin referred to a number of other sergeants being transferred, you were the only one who was immediately changed, your status was immediately changed from Mitchelstown to Anglesea Street in your case?
A. That's correct.

492 Q. I believe you may have touched on this this morning, but in case there is any ambiguity about it, you have made it abundantly clear to the Chairman that you were never going to ask for a transfer, you were never going to formally request a transfer and you've stated your reasons for that, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.
Q. You also said this morning to Mr. Harty in cross-examination that you would have preferred, your preference was to remain at Mitchelstown Garda Station?
A. Yes, that's correct.

494 Q. Why?
A. Because I went there in 2000, I had engaged with the community, I liked the people in the town, I loved the people I was working with, everything. I had no
problems there until this incident and I was very happy to remain there. In my 30 years in the guards, I never applied for a transfer.

Yes. In respect of the people you were working with, obviously it's a large organisation like any other, but 14:26 in general terms, how did you get on with the people you were working with at Mitchelstown Garda Station?
A. In general terms I would say I got on perfectly well with over $90 \%$ of the people attached to the station. In the period of time between late 2012 and up until mid to late 2015, was it common knowledge -- where the issues the subject-matter of the Chair's inquiries common knowledge, that you had made a complaint and that there was --
A. Yes, it was common knowledge.

Hopefully no one will object to the fact that I am paraphrasing and summarising, but it was open knowledge amongst all of your colleagues that you were having issues or issues were being had between yourself and senior management, including Superintendent Comyns?
A. That's correct.
Q. Would you have discussed this with any of your co-staff, other people you were working with?
A. I would have discussed it mostly with Sergeant Gerry Quinn. He would have been the person I discussed it

499 Q. Did you feel you had the support of that sergeant and/or any other members of An Garda Síochána?
A. I believe I had the support of the majority of the
members attached to the station.
500 Q. Did you take any comfort from the fact that you were working amongst people whom you felt supported by?
A. Yes, it was a big comfort for me to go to a station where I knew who I could trust and who I felt would have my back.
501 Q. If you had been moved during this period of time to the same garda station, would you have the same sense of support or comfort, if you will, working with other people at these other garda stations?
A. Not in relation to Glanmire or Fermoy, I believe I would have been happier with the personnel who were attached to Mallow at the time.
502 Q. What about Anglesea Street Garda Station, since you are being specific about stations?
A. I wouldn't know anyone in there.

503 Q. Okay.
A. So I wouldn't trust anyone as such, while I would be there.

504 Q. We will move on then from the transfers and I think with the exception of one or two small things to touch on, the only last substantive thing I want to ask you questions about pertain to the force majeure application in April of 2013 and your general status in respect of annual leave and leave in general, okay.

You communicated to -- it was known to people that the occasion upon which you had sought force majeure absence in April 2013 was not the only time in your
history as a member of An Garda Síochána that you had sought the same dispensation, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct. I never applied while I was stationed in Rathmines. It was only when I came to Mitchelstown in 2010 was my first application, I believe.

505 Q. Forgive me for the really convoluted way in which I asked that, but what I am trying to get at is: The application in April of 2013 wasn't your first time applying for it?
A. No, it was not.

506 Q. And in fact, in the very recent past you were able to inform the Tribunal of a prior occasion and the Tribunal has been able to obtain documents pertaining to that request, you're aware of that fact?
A. Yes, I had a copy of the original -- my first force majeure application to another superintendent.

507 Q. Okay. Mr. Murphy, would you please go to page 5570. Do you have that in front of you, Mr. Barry? Do you see it?
A. I see it.

508 Q. It's a letter dated 11th January 2010 and it's issued by Superintendent Myers. Before we go any further, who was Superintendent Myers?
A. He was the superintendent in Fermoy before Superintendent Comyns arrived.
509 Q. Yes. You may have already touched upon this, but did you at any stage while you were working in Mitchelstown, or at any point, have any issues working under the command structure of Superintendent Myers?
A. We had no major issues whatsoever.

510 Q. okay. This is a letter addressed in the sergeant in charge at Mitchelstown, is that you or is it a different sergeant?
A. That would be Sergeant Aidan Dunne.

511 Q. Okay. So this is a letter dated 11th January 2010, issued by Superintendent Myers or at least on his behalf, it's addressed to the member in charge, it's:
"Re: Appl i cation for force maj eure l eave - Ser geant Paul Barry."

It simply says:
"With reference to above, I wish to enqui re what are the circunstances sur rounding this application."

Correct?
A. That's correct.

512 Q. Okay. It's written then underneath it: "Garda Barry, 14:31 for report please". And it's signed by the sergeant you just referred us to, Sergeant Dunne; isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

513 Q. Okay. This all relates to the next document. Mr. Murphy, if you scroll down to the next page please, which is referenced appendix B of form 1, FM1 schedule "Form of notice of force maj eure under the Parental Leave Act 1998." Correct?

514 Q.
514 Q. It sets out the relevant section. Then it goes on to say, member details. Name, Paul Barry. It gives your reg number.
CHA RMAN There's no need for you to read the whole thing, we can see it, Mr. Costelloe.
MR. COSTELLOE: Thank you, Chairman. I am just going to go into the handwritten section of it. I am not going to read the entirety of it but just go to the handwritten section of it. Whose handwriting is that?
A. That would be my handwriting, yes.
Q. Will you read it out for us, please?
A. It hasn't scrolled down yet.

CHA RMAK we will have a look at it first of all and we will see if we need to read it out. okay. well, I can read that.

MR. COSTELLOE: Right.
516 Q. Then you set out your reasons for it and you set out the dates upon which you are seeking the force majeure leave, isn't that correct?
A. The dates that I took force majeure, yes.

517 Q. Again, just bear with me, it says "Details of force maj eure leave" and it gives three days; isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

518 Q. 5th January 2010, 6th January 2010, 7th January 2010, correct?
A. That's correct.

519 Q. Okay. Go down a little bit further, please,

Mr. Murphy. And tell us the date upon which you submitted this form?
A. I submitted it on $13 / 1 / 2010$.

520 Q.
So again self-evidently this was submitted after you had in fact taken those three days of force majeure?

521 Q. CHA RMAN But force majeure leave has to be sought after the application, it's force majeure, isn't that right?
A. Yes.

522 Q. CHA RMAN You take the leave and then afterwards you explain it?
A. Yes. It's afterwards --

523 Q. CHA RMAN So an application for it is actually an incorrect way of saying it?
A. Yes, Mr. Chairman.

524 Q. CHA RMAN It is an explanation of why you took it?
A. That's correct.
Q.

CHA RMAN Isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

526 Q. CHAN RMAN And what Superintendent Myers said was, please let me have the explanation. It comes along to you and you say, suffering from an i11ness, okay. But there it is. That's what you explained?
A. That's correct.

CHAN RMAN okay.
527 Q. MR. COSTELLOE: And then the next document, the next page down is your response to the request for information that's coming via Sergeant Dunne from Superintendent Myers and it sets out the circumstances
of what is referred to as an application but, as the Chairman has pointed out, in fact it is merely you clarifying what was after happening. Then it is forwarded on by Sergeant Dunne to the superintendent, who has requested it, isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

528 Q. Was ever any issue raised in respect of that -- was ever any issue raised about the fact that you took that force majeure in 2010?
A. No, no issue.

529 Q. CHA RMAN Did nobody ask you what the illness was?
A. No, Mr. Chairman.

530 Q. CHA RMAN That was it?
A. That was it.

CHA RMAN okay.
531 Q. MR COSTELLOE: In late 2012, 2013, into '14 and '15, when you were seeking leave, to whom were you directed to apply.
A. The leave in relation to...?

532 Q. On any occasion on which you sought leave in that period of time, to whom did you make it? CHA RMAK Sorry, yes leave, normal application.
MR. COSTELLOE: Normal. I should have made that clear. I am not dealing with force majeure.
CHAI RMAN Thanks very much.
A. Normal leave.

533 Q. CHA RMAN To whom did you apply for leave when you needed it?
A. I would submit it through the sergeant in charge for
the district officer.
CHA RMAN Sorry, Mr. Costelloe.
534 Q. MR. COSTELLOE: And the sergeant in charge, do you know to whom he forwarded that request.
A. To the district officer.
okay. At any stage were you directed or did you have to make the application through Inspector o'sullivan?
A. No, I had sought -- when I was on sick leave I
addressed my leave sheet to Inspector O'Sullivan but I wasn't directed to do so.
537 Q. Yes. And, indeed, within the papers, and it'll be for Inspector o'Sullivan to deal with this himself when he gives evidence, there's reference to him apparently, I will keep this as neutral as I can, expressing a position about the fact that he was dealing with this rather than it going to Superintendent Comyns, isn't that right?
A. No, sorry, he was saying that -- I had addressed it to Inspector O'Sullivan and he said that it should be addressed to Superintendent Comyns.

538 Q. Yes, I think that's exactly what I just put to you, Mr. Barry.
A. Sorry.

539 Q. Let's keep it as neutral as we possibly can. You sent it to Inspector o'sullivan?
A. That's correct.

540 Q. And something arose whereby you became aware of the
fact that Inspector O'Sullivan was saying in fact that should have gone to Superintendent Comyns and it was nothing to do with him?
A. That's correct.

541 Q. Why at that stage were you directing the application to ${ }^{14: 36}$ Inspector o'Sullivan?
A. Because I didn't want to have communication with Superintendent Comyns.
542 Q. Had you been told to whom you were supposed to direct any kind of application like that, at that time?
A. Normally it would have been through the sergeant in charge to the district officer.

543 Q.
But as you just said, the sergeant in charge would have forwarded it to Superintendent Comyns?
A. No, in normal times yes, but I was on leave, I think I ${ }_{\text {14:36 }}$ was on leave when I submitted that application and I met with the secretary and asked her to put it in an envelope for Inspector o'Sullivan.
544 Q. Yes. At this time, dealing with the occasion now where you're looking for annual leave, had any arrangement been put in place whereby you wouldn't have to deal directly with Superintendent Comyns?
A. No.
Q. Was it your understanding that that was contrary to a formula which had been developed whereby you would only 14:37 engage with Inspector o'Sullivan, thereby precluding you having to deal directly with Superintendent Comyns?
A. There was no fixed system put in place that I would have to deal only with Inspector o'Sullivan. All my
communications was directed to go through the superintendent.
546 Q. And that remained the case even when you were looking for leave, had you to apply to Superintendent Comyns?
A. That's correct.
were told to -- not that you were told, but had you to continue to have to apply to Superintendent Comyns for something like leave?
A. Yes, I was never aware of the temporary allocation of Inspector O'Sullivan to my dealings in April 2014. I was never made aware of that. So all my communications continued to be addressed to the superintendent.
548 Q. And again, it's probably not for you, it's for Superintendent o'sullivan when he gives evidence, he can deal with his interaction with Patricia Gould and her own statement.

But there was an occasion when you applied for leave and an issue arose about to whether or not there was cover available for you in order to take that leave,
A. Yes, that was for a family holiday in 2013.

549 Q. What would have been the ordinary set up, the ordinary process whereby a sergeant could take leave to go on a
family holiday? what did you have to do in order to ensure that you got $x$ days available to you to take leave?
A. I would normally submit my leave application and if it wasn't -- if there was days that weren't suitable, then 14:39 I would be notified by the district officer.
550 Q. Okay. Whose responsibility in general terms, I'm not asking about you now in particular, but in general terms whose responsibility would have it have been to ensure that there was cover on the days upon which a member was seeking to have annual leave?
A. Normal terms of duty, the district officer is responsible for who is on duty on any particular day.
551 Q. Okay. Did you have any responsibility, as far as you were concerned, with ensuring that there was cover available in the station so that you could take leave on those particular days?
A. If there was a situation -- in that situation that we're talking about, when I submitted the application, it was to find out who was actually available, what dates $I$ could avail of. And there was dates came back where I was told there was no cover, that I couldn't get leave. And I was asked to submit then a list of the people who were available to work on those dates. 552 Q. Okay. Well let's go back over that, because it may have been a point that was missed in your earlier evidence. when you made your application for annual leave were you looking for exact dates or were you making enquiries about when in a period of time you
could take leave?
A. The leave application covered my holiday dates and other dates. It wasn't just about the holiday dates.
Q. Yes.
A. But the holiday dates were I think over two months away, so I didn't think there would be a problem with leave for that period.
554 Q. And the response, to paraphrase, it's already been opened, but the response was, you better make sure that there's cover available?
A. Yeah, and submit who I believed would be available to cover those dates.
Q. Right. To your knowledge was there any information then given to the superintendent to the effect that there was cover available for the dates you were seeking leave?
A. Yes, I submitted a document outlining whom I believed would be available to cover those dates and I also expressed the view that that was relayed to me by Sergeant Quinn and Sergeant Dunne, who said they would be flexible in their work days to facilitate and cover for certain dates.

556 Q. And what was the response that you received? First of a11, did you get a response to that information, to submitting that information?
A. It was going over and back for a long period and I was getting nowhere with it.

557 Q. Let's put it this way, did you get the days' leave that you were seeking?
A. Not through Superintendent Comyns, no.

558 Q. okay. If we go to page 1880 , please. Now, this is the statement of, $I$ think he's retired now, $I$ think it's Mr. Dunne. It's made on 7th December 2021. In that he sets out certain information, including the fact that -- if I just find the exact -- sorry, my own note. Excuse me please, Mr. Barry. I was looking at the wrong page, sorry, Mr. Barry. So you have there one of the statements, there are a number of statements made, I was looking at the wrong one. But this statement was 14:43 made by Mr. Barry. It was made on 16th November 2020. And if we go down to the third paragraph, which is the paragraph that begins "Retired Sergeant Barry" on page 21, you see that paragraph there?
A. Yes.

559 Q. Okay. Let's go to the last part of that paragraph, beginning with "I do recall difficulties", do you see that?
A. Yes.

560 Q. "I do recall difficulties with retired Sergeant Barry's 14:43 application for annual leave in mid 2013, referred to in pages 39, 40 and 41 of his statement. I did submit a report to Superintendent Comyns at Fermoy Garda Station and I did speak to the superintendent about the i ssue, expl ai ni ng that l bel i eved that there was enough 14:44 cover to facilitate the application for leave, save one day, July 13th, 2013."

Does that coincide with your understanding of what was
going on?
A. That's -- I believe it came down to one day in the end, yes.
561 Q. Okay. Since we have this particular document opened, even though it is not strictly speaking on point but it 14:44 has been raised, let's just deal with one other thing in it. Go to the last paragraph, please, Mr. Murphy, it begins "On page 55". You see that paragraph there?
A. Yes.

562 Q. "On page 55 it's mentioned that I informed retired Sergeant Barry that if he did not move units, fromunit C to unit B, the superintendent would swap each entire unit to ensure retired Sergeant Barry would no I onger be supervising a number of named gardaí. I cannot recall this specific conversation or these facts but 1 14:44 do recall that these issues were rai sed about changing units and supervision of members at this time. I cannot recall the specific details of the issues or conversations but I cannot say definitivel y that such a conversation did not occur."

You see that there in his statement?
A. I do, yes.

563 Q. It's to this that you were alluding to this morning in cross-examination when you were talking about the fact, 14:45 and indeed yesterday, when you were talking about the fact that it became known to you that either you moved or your unit was going to be moved?
A. That's correct.

564 Q. So that was Mr. Dunne. If we could then turn to retired Sergeant Gerry Quinn's statement, which I hope is at page 1345. Yes. This is the statement of Gerry Quinn made on 5th July 2021. Mr. Murphy, would you scroll down to the bottom please so that we can see the 14:46 last seven or eight lines of that page. Do you see a sentence, mid sentence, it starts "I recall Sergeant Barry looking for annual leave and I offered to change tours of duty", do you see that?
A. Yes, I do.

565 Q. okay. It continues "...in an attempt to enable you to get you annual leave. I recall another occasi on when Sergeant Barry took force maj eure and he compl et ed rel evant paperwork at his return on resumption of duty. It appeared a timelater he was being investigated by Superintendent Lehane in rel ation to Ser geant Barry taking force maj eure."

So in that obviously he references the force majeure but he also says that he did offer to change his tours of duty, isn't that correct?
A. Yes, he did.

566 Q. And to your knowledge was that offer communicated to Superintendent Comyns so as to facilitate you taking the day 's leave that you were looking for?
A. Yes, it was.

567 Q. Was there anything at all unusual about you in that situation looking for particular days of leave?
A. Not when it was so far in advance, I thought there
would not be an issue with it.
568 Q. In the ordinary course of events where other sergeants in the station had indicated to the superintendent in charge that they were prepared to cover the shifts referable, would there ever have been an issue about that sergeant who was making the application getting the days that he was looking for?
A. No.

569 Q. Did you get the days you were looking for?
A. Only on appeal to the chief superintendent.

570 Q. Then the penultimate thing I want to ask you about. If we go to what's referred to as ground 3 H in the Tribunal's grounds, but really it deals with the fatal fire and the reporting or non-reporting, depending on one's perspective and what flowed from that. That's the area we're dealing with now and your complaint in respect of how you feel you were treated as a result of what was done after that, okay?
A. Yes.

571 Q. A11 right. So again that's ground 3 H and it references 14:48 the fatal fire of 9th Apri1 2013. The coroner's form, which on your evidence was sufficient in which to comply with the initial obligations to report the incident, is the form C 71, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.

572 Q. And that's been opened, I don't need to go back over it again, that was opened yesterday and the information that is set out on its face is apparent to the Chairman when it comes to the report to be written, isn't that
correct?
A. That's correct.

573 Q. Now, Chief Superintendent Dillane complains, and again, this may have been opened previous7y, I think it was, but complains that the comprehensive report should be -- first of all, that it should be a comprehensive report but that it should be submitted by the working sergeant in line with the memo that had been sent down by the assistant commissioner, that's Assistant Commissioner Quilter, dated 3rd August 2012, isn't that 14:49 correct?
A. That's correct.
Q. So again, you've already said this, but this is at a time when you're off duty, you're out sick, a memo is sent down from the $A / C$, saying, in future for critical incidents $I$ want the following things to be done, isn't that right?
A. That's correct.
Q. And what flows from that, is that on the occasion upon which you attended the fatal fire, Chief Superintendent 14:49 Dillane complains that that instruction isn't complied with, that you have failed somehow to comply with what you have been told to do in that direction from $A / C$ Quilter. Have I got that right?
A. That's correct, but $I$ was not told.

576 Q. Yes, but so far we're correct?
A. Yes, correct.

577 Q. Okay. So then if we turn to page 142, please. Have I got the wrong page? I think it's page 142. We have in
front of us here an undated letter but it's stamped 10th May 2013, and it's regarding this particular incident. It's common case that is what it refers to. It's sent by Chief Superintendent Dillane and this is the subject-matter of his complaint set out there in black and white:
"I have noted Sergeant Barry's report. In future for any critical incident that occurs in your district, I expected a comprehensi ve report to be submitted by the working ser geant in line with Assi stant Commi ssi oner Quilter's minute dated 3rd August 2012."

## Correct?

A. That's what it says, yes, correct.

578 Q. That's what you're referring to, that's what we've just been dealing with; isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

579 Q. okay. And then if we actually go to the memo itself from Assistant Commissioner Quilter, it's at page 412/413. It's an e-mail. The second half of that page, Mr. Murphy, if you go down for me, please. There we go. From commissioner south, that's Assistant Commissioner Quilter, and it's sent to the various superintendents and it regards reporting of critical incidents. It's the one that is dated 3rd August 2012, and it's an e-mail in which it's directed to each divisional officer in the Southern Region and it says:
"In compliance with the directions of Deputy Commissioner Operations, all critical incidents will be reported to the office of Deputy Commissioner Operations by regi onal offices within 30 mintes of the incident occurring, such reports will be made as foll ows."

Now, first of all, you've already said this, but for the avoidance of call doubt, you never had sight of this because you were off duty, isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

580 Q. It goes on to say:
"During normal office hours 7.30amto 6. 30pm Mbnday to Friday critical incidents will be notified by phone to Sergeant Shar on Terry at..." a given telephone number, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.

581 Q. Tell us what time was the fire reported to you at? I think you've already said this, can you remember?
A. From memory, I think it was before 11pm.
Q. I think you may have said it was shortly around ten o'clock at night?
A. Yes.

583 Q. Give or take, it was nighttime in any event?
A. Yes, it was.

584 Q. The minute goes on, or the direction, however one wishes to describe it goes on:
"Following the initial notification, a full report on the inci dent si gned by the rel evant di strict of ficer, acting district officer or superintendent on call will be forwarded to the regi onal office via e-mail to commi ssi oner southern garda i.e. bef ore 8.15 am on the foll owing day."

Is that right?
A. That's correct.

585 Q. And then it goes on to say what a critical incident includes, and it sets out a number of obviously very serious crimes or incidents and it's signed or at least directed by Mr. Quilter, correct?
A. Correct.

586 Q. Okay. In response to your attendance at the fire, the fatal injury fire, you told the Chairman that you directed the guard who was working with you at the time to complete the C 71 form, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.

587 Q. You said that to the best of your recollection you signed off on it because it was left for you to sign off on that particular document, the $C 71$, correct?
A. I believe so, yes.

588 Q. And then that was communicated through to the coroner by which you made the report of what had happened, correct?
A. Correct.
Q. It doesn't appear to be the case, it's probably a matter more for submission but $I$ am giving you an
opportunity to comment upon it, it doesn't appear to be the case that that particular memo makes any reference to the sergeant on duty making a report?
A. No, it does not.

590 Q. Despite the fact that Chief Superintendent Dillane seemed to be saying that in the correspondence that flow from the particular incident, the fire incident?
A. That's correct.

591 Q.
One or two very small things, then I think we're done, Mr. Barry. This morning, excuse me, this afternoon, Mr. McGarry put to you certain responses that had been written down on your behalf in your Replies to Particulars in your civil claim, do you remember that happening?
A. I do, yes.

592 Q. He put to you something that is borne on page 290 and it's given (ix). We have it there on the screen in front of us. You remember this being put to you?
A. Yes.

593 Q. okay. "When Inspector O Sullivan recei ved the cert he attended at the plaintiff's doctor surgery unilaterally and without notice. He interrogated the plaintiff's doctor on whether it was the plaintiff or the doctor who had written the certificate. The plaintiff was extremely di stressed by these actions, particularly as his doctor clearly felt intimidated."

Now, first of a11, how is it that you say you know that your doctor, by which it's a reference to Dr. Kiely,
that's common case, Dr. Kiely felt intimidated by Inspector o'sullivan attending at her place of business?
A. When she rang me after his visit, she said that he arrived in full uniform with his cap and tunic and she felt intimidated by his appearance and his questioning of my cert.
594 Q. Okay. Since the commencement of the Tribunal Dr. Kiely has prepared a statement, isn't that correct? You know that?
A. I do, yes.

595 Q. And it's included hopefully in the same bundle of documents that Mr. Murphy has available to him, but it should be found at page 5669. Sorry, 5670, excuse me. Yes, that's it. We'11 skip over that first page for a moment, Mr. Barry, and go to the end of the second page of this letter, which is again in response to requests for information made by the Tribunal. Keep going, Mr. Murphy, please. "In concl usi on", there. This is Dr. Kiely providing information to the Tribunal, correct?
A. That's correct.

596 Q. You have had sight of this letter, you're aware of its contents, isn't that right?
A. I only saw it in discovery, yes.

597 Q. Yes, but you have seen it?
A. I have seen it, yes.

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Q. This isn't the first time seeing this?
A. No.

599 Q. Okay. She states in her conclusions that: "Al though it was a number of years ago, the statement I prepared is frommy nedi cal records", correct?
A. Correct.

600 Q. She goes on to say: "My recollection fromthat time is 14:57 that Inspector OSulivan presented in full uniformto the reception desk of $m y$ GP surgery. I brought him into my office and spoke to himwithout disclosing any medical information in rel ation to Garda Paul Barry. Patient confidentiality was maintai ned at all times."

Then she sets out:
"On that day I rementor being slightly unnerved by the visit, as it is highly unusual to recei ve what seemed to be a formal visit froma mentber of An Garda Sí ochána to query the validity of a medi cal certificate. I remenber feeling annoyed as in my opinion the visit seeminappropriate. I was available to speak with doctors fromthe Garda Health Department if requested. " ${ }_{\text {14:58 }}$

## Just to finish it:

"My priority was and is to my patient and his mental well being and that is why I put the conditions in the medi cal certificate with regard to his return to work. In my opi ni on he was pit to work as a garda but due to alleged bullying that had taken place, attending Fermoy Garda Station and contact with Superintendent Comyns
would have had a negative i mpact on Garda Barry's mental health."

Again, this coincides with what you've just told the Chairman, about her telling you that she was unnerved or irritated by Inspector o'Sullivan's attendance at her GP surgery?
A. That's correct.

601 Q. Sorry, my computer has decided not to cooperate. Bear with me, please, Mr. Barry, my computer has decided to take Friday afternoon off as well, it's like a spinning wheel.

Would you mind scrolling to the first page of the letter, Mr. Murphy. Sorry, I am trying to find a particular passage. My computer has crashed while I am sitting here, so I don't have my note on it. That paragraph right there, Mr. Murphy. Thank you. Sergeant Barry, do you see the paragraph that begins "Retired Sergeant Paul Barry.."?
A. Yes.

602 Q. "...attended me on 28th March 2013, he brought with him a letter fromAssi stant Commissi oner Fintan Fanning. Retired Sergeant Barry told me that he felt he had no option but to return to work. He had spoken to a colleague who was awaiting Hi gh Court date for the previ ous five years as the gardaí allegedl y would not agree that his sick leave was work rel ated. He told me that at that time they had not agreed that his sick

I eave was work rel ated. He told me that he had been referred to a consultant psychiatrist."

Isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.

603 Q. It goes on and sets out the fact that you felt you had to return to work for severe financial pressure and financial reasons, have I got that right?
A. That's correct.

604 Q. Okay. Then the next paragraph, and this is the last part that I just put to you because it was put to you -- yes, you are quite right, Mr. Murphy, excuse me -- this was put to you but the letter was never opened, but it was put to you in cross-examination, if you refer yourself to the paragraph there that begins "On 4/4/2013", do you see that paragraph?
A. Yes.

605 Q. And then do you find the sentence that begins "When I had seen hi mon 28th March 2013"?
A. That's correct.

606 Q. What does she say there about her opinion as to your medical status at that stage?
A. "In my opi ni on he was not fit to return to the same work situation as before, as this in my opinion would trigger the same difficulties he had experienced and in 15:01 my opinion this would have adversely affect his mental heal th . "

607 Q. Excuse me, one second, please, Mr. Barry. I am nearly done, Chairman, I just want to confer. Mr. Perry
reminds me that we received further documentation yesterday. Page 5711. This relates to the previous line of questioning, not in relation to Dr. Kiely's letter. This is an e-mail which is sent I think from Superintendent Comyns and it relates to what he expects 15:03 in respect of reporting of critical incidents, do you see that?
A. Yes, I do.

The to and from in respect of the -- the sent and received or the to and from in respect of the e-mail are a little bit confusing but I think this is an e-mail that is sent out at his behest to all the various sergeants under his demand. It's sent on 28/8/2012 -- no again, sorry, that is the wrong date. If you look down below it, the actual date is 3rd August 2012. Do you see that date?
A. Yes, I do.
Q. Okay. It's in relation to the reporting of critical incidents, correct?
A. That's correct.

610 Q. So an e-mail has come through addressed to the superintendents of various districts and it's now being forwarded on by Superintendent Comyns, that seems to be what we are looking at here?
A. Correct.

611 Q. It says: "Pl ease ensure that all critical incidents occurring within Fermoy district are notified to Superintendent Comyns or Inspector ÓSullivan i mmedi atel $y$ after they occur. Alist of incidents
whi ch are deemed critical for the purposes of notification are listed bel ow."

And you see that there, isn't that correct?
A. That's correct.

612 Q. When you were attending at that critical incident, the fire, were you or to your knowledge any of your colleagues there with you in contact with the inspector, being Inspector o'sullivan?
A. Garda Henry ward made two phone calls in my presence to 15:04 Inspector O'Sullivan to notify him of what was happening.
613 Q. Yes. So, just looking at the wording of that particular minute which is sent out at that time, it seems that compliance was had, because as it is happening, right there in front of you, the building is on fire, you're in contact with the inspector and telling him what you are seeing at the scene?
A. Yes, through Garda ward.

614 Q. When I say you, I mean An Garda Síochána?
A. Yes.

615 Q. You were there at the scene, but in your presence this was being relayed to Inspector O'Sullivan?
A. That's correct.

616 Q. Just bear with me, please, Mr. Barry. Thank you very 15:05 much, Mr. Barry?
A. Thank you, Mr. Costelloe.

## END OF EXAM NATI ON

CHA RMAK Now, Mr. McGuinness, have you any questions? MR. MtGU NNESS: Yes, a few matters, Chairman.

MR. PAUL BARRY WAS THEN RE- EXAM NED BY MR MEGU NNESS, AS FOLLOVB:

617 Q. Mr. Barry, can I just ask you about the C 71 issue? Now, we don't have a copy of the signed version of it at present and you obviously didn't have one in your own file of documents?
A. No, no.

618 Q. You included a blank template, which is slightly different in form and it's not a criticism, but you do appear to have kept other documents that you sent or signed in your office, isn't that right?
A. Yes. When they were addressed or concerned me, but this was -- Garda ward as the investigating guard.
619 Q. Yes.
A. And he completed the form.

620 Q. We11, that is what I was going to ask you. That is the 15:06 way you describe it in your interview with our investigators, that it was Garda Ward who completed the form?
A. That's correct.

621 Q. And you don't say in any of your statements that you signed it. So have you got a clear memory of signing it?
A. I don't, actually. That's why I didn't pay any heed to the form when I saw it.

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Q. okay. We're taking steps to try and acquire the origina1. Can I just ask you about your diary entries which have been referred to. If we could look at page 4845. You may recall last week I opened the case conference notes, in particular now the case conference note for the conference that was held on the 22nd January, where there is reference to the member looking for and considering medical retirement?
A. That's correct.
Q. first entry says:
"AGSI meeting, WIIy Gleeson said to cont act sol icitor re medi al pension. "
A. Yeah.

626 Q. So does that not reflect something that you were doing at that point in time?
A. No, it does not reflect. I had only one previous conversation with this AGSI president, willy Gleeson, and that was in 2012 when I was out sick, he rang me to know what complaint I had submitted. And this was the next conversation I had with him. He was not my
representative and this was an AGSI meeting in a hotel, where he came up to me and said what he said. And I referenced that to the then AGSI representative, Mr. Gallagher from Clare division, who was at same function, I told him that willy Gleeson had told me to apply to my solicitor for a medical pension. was that something that you acted on, did you contact the solicitor in relation to the conditions under which you might get a medical pension?
A. No, I had no interest in looking for a medical pension. 15:08 I never thought of it. That was the first I heard about it.
628 Q. Okay. A slightly different topic, but staying on the diary entries: This isn't a criticism, they're not very extensive diary entries, they are written in a small diary, isn't that correct?
A. That's all, a little pocket diary, yeah.

629 Q. But there's no mention of any discussion in those diary entries about Mallow Garda station being somewhere that you were prepared to suffer a transfer to?
A. No.

630 Q. And correct me if I am wrong, there doesn't appear to be any mention of mallow in any of your doctors' notes in terms of a station under consideration by you?
A. No.

631 Q. Okay. Do you recollect discussing it with them at the time?
A. I don't believe I did, no.

632 Q. Okay. I mean, as I understand it, correct me if I am
wrong, Mallow is more or less equidistant from your house where you live as is Mitchelstown?
A. That's correct. solicitor's fees. So you wouldn't be out-of-pocket at a11?
A. No, it would actually be of benefit to me.

638 Q. of benefit to you. Did I understand you to say in answer to Mr. Harty that you didn't believe that they would ever transfer you to Mallow because then they
A. Yes, that's my belief.

639 Q. We11, was Mallow not offered to you?
A. I was asked to apply for it but I indicated I would not
apply because I would not get public transfer then. 640 Q. Okay. Now, Mr. Costelloe on your behalf asked you about the transfer to Fermoy, which was mooted at the beginning -- and then initiated at the beginning of 2013. You may recall just before lunch he had opened Chief Superintendent Dillane's e-mail to HRM in December, putting forward the proposition of sending you to Fermoy?
A. That's correct.

641 Q. And perhaps I misunderstood some of your answers, but did I understand you to say you hadn't been notified of that until Inspector Golden heard about it?
A. Yes, the one in the middle, $I$ believe that was 2014.

642 Q. Yes.
A. The transfer appeal was already on for Fermoy at the time.
Q. Yes.
A. So --

644 Q. But I am talking about learning of the transfer being ordered. Did you not meet with Chief Superintendent Dillane on the 19th January?
A. I did, that's correct, but that was in relation to the transfer to Fermoy.

645 Q. Yes.
A. I was referring to the transfer to Glanmire that he told Inspector Golden about.

646 Q. Okay. We11, I may have picked it up wrong, but was mallow not discussed at that meeting on the 19th January?
A. I can't recall now, but I know Mallow was mentioned at one of the meetings we had, I had with Chief Superintendent Dillane. Mallow or was it Glanmire at the time. Mallow and Glanmire I think.
647 Q. Perhaps if I could ask you to look at document in the form of a report sent by Chief Superintendent Dillane it Superintendent Comyns in Fermoy, at page 4142. It was dated 20th January. And the first paragraph says:
"On 19th January 2014 I met with Sergeant Barry at my office at 10.45am After enquiring after his well being I expl ai ned to hi mthat l had deci ded to transfer him to Fer moy Garda Station as I requi red a minimof one sergeant on each unit in the di visional headquarters. I outlined the reasons for the transfer to hi mand my pl an for the distribution of sergeants in Cork north di vi si on. "

And you may recal1, this was opened to you last week by me. The third paragraph there says:
"During our di scussion, he informed me that he did not wi sh to work in Fermoy and I expl ai ned to himwith the shortage of manpower and especially at sergeant rank that I needed one sergeant on each unit in Fermoy and cannot afford the I uxury of having three sergeants in Mtchel stown. I expl ai ned that this was in line with my overall di visional pl an and l cited my vision for the Mal low district, where I pl anned on having one
sergeant on each unit in the di strict headquarters and onl y two sergeants in Kanturk and Charleville."

If we just scroll down.
"I further told himthat if he did not wi sh to come to Fermoy Garda Station, I could facilitate himin Mallow, where at present there are two unit sergeant vacancies which I hope to fill in the near future. I informed himthat this would be a matter completel y up to hi mself."

Now, is that accurate, that last sentence?
A. That is accurate. I can remember him saying that there was two vacancies for a sergeant in Mallow.
Q. It's really the part about facilitating you in Mallow that I am interested in here.
A. That is correct, he did mention that there was two vacancies or a sergeant in mallow but I told him I would not apply for it. I will not apply for it.
649 Q. Yes. You see he will give evidence obviously, but it appears from the documents that he thought you should be transferred out of the division ultimately, but this would have taken you away from the Fermoy district, isn't that right?
A. Yes. But I'd be still in the same division, which would be -- Mallow was in the Cork north division, the same as Fermoy and Midleton.
650 Q. But it is out Superintendent Comyns's district?
A. No, it'd be a different district but the same division. I'd have been happy to go to Mallow.
Q. He then goes on to say:
"I have si nce been informed by human resource..."

It goes on to your bullying and harassment matter then. And he says
"The present working situation of Sergeant Barry cannot $15: 15$ continue and in order to run the Cork north di vision in a cohesi ve manner l i ntend to advi se commi ssi oner human resource management I wi sh to have Sergeant Barry transferred to Fernoy Garda Station. "

Now, you protested at the offer of Fermoy and Mallow, isn't that right?
A. No, I just protested Fermoy.

652 Q. Could we just look at 4145, because you wrote three days later, on 22nd January 2024, to the sergeant in charge:
"With reference to the above, on Sunday, 19th J anuary 2014, at approxi matel y 10. 15am l was verbally di rected by Chi ef Superintendent Dillane to attend his office in 15:16 Fermoy at approxi matel y 10.45am I net Chi ef Superintendent Dillane at the appointed time in his office, where he informed me that he intended to transfer me to ei ther Fermoy or Mallow Garda station.

Thi s news has caused ne consi derable stress and anxi ety as I was not gi ven a date when this proposed transfer was to take place or a good reason for same.

I respectfully request to be informed of the reason for 15:17 this proposed transfer and when it is proposed to i mplement same. I cannot make hol iday plans or family arrangement due to lack of information re date of proposed transfer."

Was it the date of the transfer that was the only issue then?
A. No, it was that I was basically being told to apply for a transfer to either Fermoy or Mallow.
The sentence in the middle there seems to convey that you were informed by him that he was going to transfer you, rather than you would be seek ago transfer, is that not right, the way you have expressed it yourself there?
A. That he intended to transfer me to either -- but he was 15:17 requesting that $I$ apply for same, that was the option put to me.
654 Q. Obviously that doesn't appear in your response, I mean that he was requesting you to apply. I mean, you're not suggesting here that I am not going to voluntarily 15:18 app1y?
A. No, I did not put that in my letter, no.

655 Q. The Superintendent then ten days after your meeting, you didn't come back to him other than through that
letter of protest, as I've referred to it.
A. Yes.

656 Q. But he then wrote to the assistant commissioner, if we look at page 4147. It was following that then that you were put on the bulletin, isn't that right?
A. That's correct.

657 Q. And that was subject then to the appeal. Just on another point, if we could look at page 4820. This was the report that went to Dr. Kiely following your consultation with your doctor in Cork, coincidentally on the first day of your force majeure leave, isn't that right, on the 15th Apri1. This goes into your condition there, $I$ think it was a locum doctor who saw you that day, not Dr. Dennehy. If we go down to the next paragraph. There's no mention of transfers there. 15:19 But had you decided -- or perhaps I better ask it this way: when did you decide to initiate legal proceedings in relation to your case?
A. I believe it was 2015 when the application was lodged.

658 Q. Okay. Can I just ask you to look at page 4774. These 15:20 are Dr. Kiely's practice notes and they were made available with your consent and she has obviously cooperated with the Tribunal in that regard. If we just go down to the $31 / 7$, there's a note of a phone call there, looking for emergency PIAB report on Sergeant Barry. It says "Dr. Dennehy consultant psychi atrist gone on two week's hol iday", then it recites a further phone call back to say that Dr. Dennehy's secretary phoned to say Dr. Dennehy will
do a report from holidays. I think that is the report that Mr. Harty was asking you about yesterday, the lengthy report for the legal proceedings?
A. That's correct.

659 Q. Now, we've seen from the plenary summons that the PIAB authorisation was issued on 3rd August 2014, but the application for a PIAB authorisation must have been made some considerable time before that in 2014 ?
A. Possibly.

660 Q. Does that help your recollection as to when you might have decided to take proceedings and/or apply to PIAB?
A. I don't know the exact date when I consulted -- I consulted initially with one solicitor and I changed solicitors then and I had to restart the process.
661 Q. Thank you very much, Mr. Barry.
A. Thank you, Mr. McGuinness.

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CHAN RMAN Okay. Everybody happy then? Mr. Barry, that's quite a considerable achievement, I have to say. THE WTNESS: Thank you, sir.

CHA RMAN To have mastered all the material as well as you have and to have presented yourself here in, may I acknowledge, difficult circumstances and answered question after question, day after day for all of two weeks. So I congratulate you on having sustained that and not having had to ask for a break on any one occasion.

THE WTNESS: Thank you, sir.
CHAN RMAN This is obvious7y without drawing any conclusion of any kind, but I think everybody here in the room will be aware that it's not an easy thing and I think everybody here in the room will be aware that it is a very considerable achievement. So, congratulations. Thank you for cooperating with the Tribunal and thank you for your evidence.
THE WTNESS: Thank you, sir.
CHA RMAN okay. All right. Thank you very much. So you're finished now with this part. Obviously you can come back. You don't have to be here every day, it's a matter for yourself entirely, but at least for the weekend it's nice that you're finished with your evidence. Now you don't have to make any more notes overnight, except such ones as you want to hand to Mr. Costelloe for cross-examining or examining any other witness. okay?
THE WTNESS: Thank you, Chairman.
CHA RMAN Thank you very much, and thank you to everybody else. So very good. So, Mr. McGuinness, Tuesday, 11 o'clock.
MR. MEGU NNESS: Tuesday morning, Chairman.
CHA RMAR Tuesday morning, 11 o'clock. Thanks very much everybody. Very good.

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