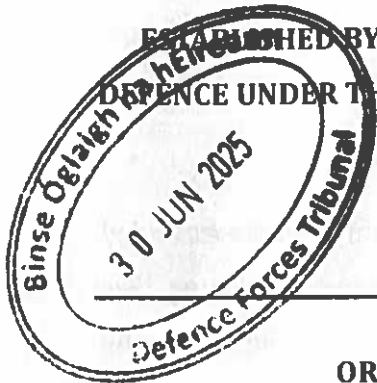


**TRIBUNAL OF INQUIRY INTO ISSUES RELATING TO THE COMPLAINTS PROCESSES
IN THE DEFENCE FORCES AND THE CULTURE SURROUNDING THE MAKING OF
COMPLAINTS**

FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS PASSED BY DÁIL ÉIREANN AND SEANAD ÉIREANN

**ESTABLISHED BY INSTRUMENT MADE BY THE TÁNAISTE AND MINISTER FOR
DEFENCE UNDER THE TRIBUNALS OF INQUIRY (EVIDENCE) ACTS 1921 to 2011, ON
20 JUNE 2024**



**ORDER EXTENDING THE TIME FOR COMPLIANCE
WITH THE TRIBUNAL'S ORDER FOR DISCOVERY MADE IN RESPECT OF
THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE DEFENCE FORCES**

UPON ESTABLISHMENT by Instrument dated the 20th day of June 2024 (S.I. 304 of 2024) of a Tribunal of Inquiry into Issues Relating to the Complaints Processes in the Defence Forces and to the Culture Surrounding the Making of Complaints (hereinafter '**the Tribunal**') charged with investigating the matters provided for in its Terms of Reference from the 1st day of January 1983 to the 20th day of June 2024; and

WHEREAS an application was made to the Tribunal by way of written submission on the 3rd day of June 2025 on behalf of the Chief of Staff of the Defence Forces seeking an Order pursuant to section 4 of the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) (Amendment) Act 1979 for an extension of the time within which to comply with the Tribunal's Order for Discovery made on the 28th day of January 2025;

THE TRIBUNAL, upon reading the written submission received on behalf of the Chief of Staff of the Defence Forces, and the objection thereto raised on behalf of Women of Honour in its submission dated the 3rd day of June 2025, AND upon hearing, at its public sitting held on the 16th day of June 2025, the oral submissions made by Counsel on behalf of the Chief of Staff of the Defence Forces and by Counsel on behalf of Women of Honour,

THE TRIBUNAL, pursuant to section 4 of the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) (Amendment) Act 1979,

HEREBY ORDERS THAT the timeframe for the Chief of Staff of the Defence Forces to comply with the Tribunal's Order for Discovery dated the day 28th of January 2025, is extended, from the 2nd day of July 2025, by a period of twenty-two weeks, to the 30th day of November 2025, on the following terms:

- that on or before 6 August 2025, that being one quarter way through the extended period, not less than 375 files are to be discovered to the Tribunal, that being 25% of the total number of currently outstanding documents that are relevant to the Tribunal's Order for Discovery;
- that on or before 17 September 2025, that being half way through the extended period, not less than a further 375 files are to be discovered to the Tribunal, that being another 25% of the total number of currently outstanding documents that are relevant to the Tribunal's Order for Discovery;
- that on or before 22 October 2025, that being three-quarters way through the extended period, not less than a further 375 files are to be discovered to the Tribunal, that being a further 25% of the total number of currently outstanding documents that are relevant to the Tribunal's Order for Discovery; and
- finally, that on or before 30 November 2025, that being the end of the extended period, all remaining files that fall with terms of the Tribunal's Order for Discovery are to be discovered.

Signed



Pádraig Mac Criostail
Tribunal Registrar

Date of Perfection: 30th day of June 2025

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