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Dr. Alan Wall

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Dear Dr Wall,

I have been requested by the Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science, Simon Harris T.D. to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 27 May in which you nominated persons to serve on the advisory panel to assess an application for Technological University status from the consortium comprising Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology, Institute of Technology Sligo and Letterkenny Institute of Technology. The Minister has asked me to notify the Authority that the following persons will be appointed to the advisory panel to assess the application from the consortium received on 21 May 2021 under Section 29 of the Technological Universities Act 2018 (No. 3 of 2018).

Panel Appointments

- Professor Lorraine Farrelly
- Professor Jean-Pierre Finance
- Professor Philip Gummett
- Dr. Andrée Sursock

The Minister, hereby, requests the Authority to duly notify the persons in question of their appointment to the panel, and, in conjunction with QQI, as appropriate, to facilitate the establishment and work of the advisory panel such that it shall furnish its report to the Higher Education Authority under Section 32 of the 2018 Act.

The Minister has asked me to thank the Authority both for its assistance to date and going forward in relation to this matter. Similar correspondence has issued to QQI in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Frances-Mary Long.

Private Secretary to Simon Harris, T.D., Minister for Further and Higher Education.

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