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Note:

Tuesday, 08/01/2013: Joint Committee on Health and Children Seanad Chamber 9.30 a.m. (T)

AGENDA:Public Hearings on the Implementation of the Government Decision following the publication of the Expert Group Report into matters relating to A, B, C, vs Ireland:

Medical Hearings*

<http://oireachtasdebates.oireachtas.ie/Debates%20Authoring/DebatesWebPack.nsf/committeetake/s/HEJ2013010800001?opendocument>

Session A: 9.30 - 11.30 a.m.;

[Ms Geraldine Luddy .. to open, Department of Health and Children; Ms Caroline Spillane, CEO, and Mr Kieran Murphy, President, Irish Medical Council];

Session B: 11.45 a.m. - 1.45 p.m.;

[Dr Rhona Mahony, Master, National Maternity Hospital;

Dr Sam Coulter Smith, Master, Rotunda Hospital;

and Dr Mary McCaffrey. Kerry Hospital, Tralee];

Session C: 2.45 - 4.45 p.m.;

[Dr Anthony McCarthy, Dr Joanne Fenton, Dr John Sheehan and Dr Maeve Doyle, College of Psychiatry Ireland; Professor Patricia Casey, Department. of Adult Psychiatry, UCD; and Mater Misericordiae University Hospital; Professor Veronica O'Kane, Department of Psychiatry, Tallaght Hospital]

Session D: 5 - 7 p.m.

[Mr Niall Behan, CEO, and Dr Caitriona Henchion, Irish Family Planning Association; Professor Robert F. Harrison, Chairman, Dr Meabh Ni Bhuinneain and Professor Fionnuala McAuliffe, Institute of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists; and Professor Richard Greene, Maternal Death Inquiry Ireland]

Wednesday 09/01/2013: Joint Committee on Health and Children Seanad Chamber 9.30 a.m. (T)

AGENDA:Public Hearings on the Implementation of the Government Decision following the publication of the Expert Group Report into matters relating to A, B, C, vs Ireland:

Legal Hearings*

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Session A: 9.30 - 11.30 a.m.

[Ms Jeniffer Schweppe, University of Limerick;
Ms Ciara Staunton, NUI Galway;
and Dr Simon Mills, Law Library];

Session B 11.45 a.m. - 1.45 p.m.

[Mr Stephen O'Hare and Mr Alan D.P. Brady, Irish Council of Civil Liberties]; and

Session C: 2.45 - 4.15 p.m.

[Professor William Binchy, Trinity College Dublin;
and Hon. Judge Catherine McGuinness (retired)]

Thursday 10/01/2013: Joint Committee on Health and Children Seanad Chamber 9.30 a.m. (T)

AGENDA:Public Hearings on the Implementation of the Government Decision following the publication of the Expert Group Report into matters relating to A, B, C, vs Ireland:

Churches and Advocacy Groups*

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Session A: 9.30 - 11.30 a.m.

[*Rev. Christopher Jones, Bishop of Elphin and Fr Timothy Bartlett, Irish Catholic Bishops Conference; Most Rev. Dr Michael Jackson, Archbishop of Dublin and Mr Samuel Harper, Church of Ireland; Dr Trevor Morrow and Dr Roy Patton, Presbyterian Church of Ireland; Ms Heidi Good, Methodist Church of Ireland; Dr Ali Selim, Islamic Cultural Centre of Ireland; Mr Michael Nugent, Atheist Ireland; and Rabbi Zalman Lent, Irish Jewish Community*];

Session B: 11.45 a.m. - 1.45 p.m.

[*Ms Caroline Simons and Dr Berry Kiely, Pro Life Campaign; Dr Eoghan de Faoite and Dr Sean O'Domhnaill, Youth Defence; Mr Patrick Carr and Mr David Manley, Family and Life; and Ms Breda O'Brien and Ms Maria Steen, Iona Institute*]; and

Session C: 2.45 - 4.45 p.m.

[*Ms Jacinta Fay and Ms Denise Ryan, Choice Ireland; Ms Orla O'Connor, Director and Ms Jacqueline Healy, National Womens Council of Ireland; Ms Ailbhe Smyth and Ms Therese Caherty, Action on X*]

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