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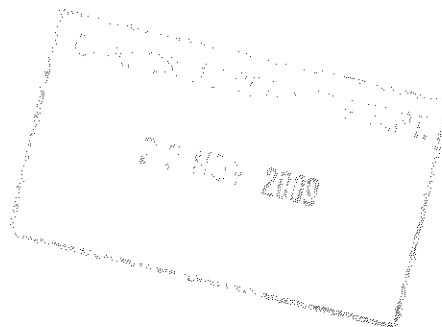
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Dear Ms Maguire

Mr Brian Lenihan, TD, Minister for Finance, has asked me to thank you for your letter dated 27 October, 2009, informing him of a Motion passed at the County Council Meeting held on 12 October, 2009 expressing concern at the recommendation of the Special Group on Public Service Numbers and Expenditure Programmes in relation to the future of Tallaght Institute of Technology.

As you are aware, the Special Group on Public Service Numbers and Expenditure Programmes, was established by the Minister for Finance under the chairmanship of Mr Coim McCarthy, to examine the current expenditure programmes in each Government Department and to make recommendations for reducing public service numbers so as to ensure a return to sustainable public finances. The Government is reflecting on the Report's recommendations and decisions on implementation will rest with the Government and Dáil Éireann, including in the context of preparing the Budget for 2010 and later years.

Yours sincerely

Dermot Moylan

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Private Secretary to the
Minister for Finance

