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‎Dear Ms. Reilly,
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‎On behalf of Roderic O’Gorman TD, Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration & Youth, I wish to thank you for your recent correspondence regarding Operation Encompass.  I hope the following information will be of assistance.
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Operation Encompass in the UK is a police-led, school based early intervention safeguarding response, which supports children and young people who experience domestic abuse.

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This Programme involves the police sharing information with a child’s school where there has been a domestic incident at the child’s home the previous day. A member of staff in the school could then ensure that the child is given the appropriate support during the school day, depending on the needs and wishes of the child.

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The Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth have convened an Inter-Departmental Group, which includes representatives from Department of Education, Department of Justice and DCEDIY, to explore the feasibility of the introduction of a programme in Ireland similar to Operation Encompass in the UK and the Operation Encompass pilot programme in Northern Ireland.

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Yours sincerely
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‎Lisa Hughes

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