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21 March 2014

Dear Ms Maguire,

Thank you for your letter and enclosure of 5th March 2014.

The summary report enclosed with your letter submitted to the Committee by Bus Éireann summarises the investigation process conducted arising from the submission by Mr Tim Doyle, Student Transport Scheme Ltd to this Department of a redacted, unsworn and unsigned affidavit. This submission was immediately referred to Bus Éireann for investigation.

It is usual and appropriate that an allegation against an employee is investigated by the employer in question, in this case Bus Éireann.

The Department notes that a three person investigation team was established by Bus Éireann to investigate the allegations and on the basis of the report provided by the Company this investigation was comprehensive and thorough. The report indicates that the investigation could find no basis for instigating disciplinary procedures or for referring any aspect to an Garda Síochána.

Bus Éireann makes the point that any individual in possession of evidence of criminal activity should report this to an Garda Síochána and the Department endorses this.

Yours sincerely

Séan Ó Foghlú,
Secretary General