Transcript from Emails 23.03.2020

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From: Des Henry

Sent: 23 April 2020 15:57 To: Rónán Hession

Subject: RE: 2020/076 PUP and direct provision

Rónán,

Noted. I have spoken with Brid and advised her accordingly.

Thanks,

Des

Des Henry Principal Officer Supplementary Welfare Allowance Policy Unit

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-----Original Message-----From: Rónán Hession Sent: 23 April 2020 15:15

To: Des Henry

Subject: RE: 2020/076 PUP and direct provision

Des,

I think the position on this is clear so I don't propose to seek legal advice; however, legislation is being prepared regarding providing a discrete statutory basis for PUP so the issue will need to be dealt with in that context and AGO will advise in due course.

Regards

Rónán Hession

Assistant Secretary
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From: Des Henry

Sent: 23 April 2020 15:09 To: Rónán Hession

Subject: FW: 2020/076 PUP and direct provision

Importance: High

Rónán,

You may wish to note the attached from Brid Moriarty.

Do you consider that it is necessary to seek legal advice in relation to the entitlement of DEA recipients to the Pandemic Unemployment Payment? I note that the SG instructed on a draft instruction on the COVID-19 Pandemic Unemployment Payment that those receiving DEA would not be entitled to receive PUP Payments.

Thanks,

Des

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----Original Message-----From: Bríd Moriarty

Sent: 23 April 2020 14:53

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To: Des Henry; Jackie Harrington; Eoin Brown; Liam Daly

Cc: MBX-LegalUnit; Mary Pracht; Lorcan Hanly; Orlaith Mannion

Subject: 2020/076 PUP and direct provision

Dear colleagues,

Text redacted under Section 31(1)(a) of the FOI Act 2014

Many thanks and I hope you are all keeping well?

Kind regards,

Bríd

Bríd Moriarty, Legal Adviser, Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection, Aras Mhic Dhiarmada, Store Street, Dublin 1

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