A report by the Office of the Inspector of Prisons into the circumstances surrounding the death of Prisoner G on 3 October 2016 while on Temporary Release from the Training Unit

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Presented to the Tánaiste and Minister for Justice and Equality pursuant to Part 5 of the Prisons Act 2007

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Preface

The deceased was a 70 year old man from the Dublin area.

He is survived by his extended family.

The Inspectorate did not meet members of the deceased's family but wish to offer their sincere condolences to them.

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Office of the Inspector of Prisons Investigation Report

General Information

- 1. The deceased was a 70 year old man from the Dublin area.
- 2. The deceased was committed to Mountjoy prison on 24 August 2000 when repatriated from prison in the United Kingdom. The deceased was transferred to the Training Unit on 29 January 2008. He was serving a life sentence.
- 3. The deceased was approved Reviewable Temporary Release under the supervision of the Probation Service on 20 September 2011.
- 4. The deceased had experienced health difficulties in recent times and was found dead at his home on 3 October 2016.

Temporary Release

- 5. The deceased was approved Reviewable Temporary Release under the supervision of the Probation Service on 20 September 2011 which included a number of conditions one of which required him to sign on at the Training Unit bi-monthly. The deceased did not sign on at the Training Unit on two dates as agreed under the terms of his temporary release. This was due to his ill health, an explanation which was accepted by the Irish Prison Service Headquarters. Otherwise he complied with the terms of his Reviewable Temporary Release. A progress report on the deceased was due to be submitted by the Probation Service on 3 November 2016 which was the review date of his Temporary Release Agreement.
- 6. The deceased was found dead at his home on 3 October 2016.

- 7. The cause and date of death is a matter for the Coroner.
- 8. The Inspectorate is satisfied that there are no further issues which should investigated.