A report by the Office of the Inspector of
Prisons into the circumstances surrounding
the death of Prisoner G
on 05 March 2018
while on Reviewable Temporary Release
from Mountjoy Prison

*Please note that names have been removed to anonymise this Report

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

The Investigation was conducted and this Report prepared by the undersigned.

Helen Casey Deputy Inspector of Prisons

20 September 2018

Preface

The aim of this investigation is to:

• Establish the circumstances surrounding the death;

• Examine whether any changes in operational methods, policy and practice, or

management arrangements would help to prevent recurrence of a similar death

or serious event; and

Address any concerns of the family.

The deceased was a 68-year-old man who died on 05 March 2018 while on

Reviewable Temporary Release from Mountjoy Prison.

The Inspectorate did not meet members of the deceased's family but I wish to offer

them my condolences.

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Helen Casey

Deputy Inspector of Prisons

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At the outset, I wish to offer my sincere condolences to the family of Prisoner G.

General Information

1. The deceased was a 68 year old man who came from the Leinster area. He is

survived by his siblings and extended family.

2. The deceased was committed to prison on 14 May 1982 to serve a life sentence.

3. A Ministerial decision was made in May 1997, following a Parole Board

review, to grant the deceased Reviewable Temporary Release.

4. In September 2012 the deceased's Reviewable Temporary Release was revoked

and he was returned to Mountjoy Prison.

5. On 09 April 2014 the deceased was approved Reviewable Temporary Release

under the supervision of the Probation Service. The conditions attached to the

temporary release were particular to the health needs of the deceased.

6. The Irish Prison Service confirmed that the deceased complied with the terms of

his Reviewable Temporary Release.

7. The deceased was found unresponsive in his home on 4 March 2018.

8. Our investigation did not identify any matters in relation to the management or

operation of the prison, which warrant further investigation.

9. The cause of death is a matter for the Coroner.

Helen Casey

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