

Sarah Cremin, Committee Secretariat, Committee of Public Accounts, Leinster House, Dublin 2, D02 XR20.

17th January 2023

Your Ref: S1151 PAC33

Dear Sarah,

Further to our acknowledgement letter dated, please see attached our response to your query.

In our response, we have outlined the non-compliant procurement within National Museum of Ireland (NMI) to the value of €520,000 for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021.

We will provide a note as requested outlining the non-compliant procurement within the National Museum of Ireland (NMI) to the value of €520,000 in the 2021 Financial Statements and accounts, and the relevant information in tabular form to include contracts or otherwise that were non-compliant with procurement guidelines in 2021, the associated expenditure, goods/services, supplier(s), the reason(s) for the non-compliance, and plans to rectify the procurement issues.

With regard to the practice of the Committee to publish correspondence from bodies it corresponds with, I can confirm that we do not object to the publication of the material we have provided to the Committee in relation to this correspondence. If you require any further information we would be happy to provide.



Yours sincerely,

**Lynn Scarff** 

Director

National Museum of Ireland

## NMI Procurement Enquiry - S1151 PAC33

Non Compliant	Associated	Types of Goods			Remedial Action
Procurement	Expenditure	/ Services	Supplier	Reason for Non- Compliance	Taken
1	€520,000	Security	Manguard Plus	Covid restrictions created logistical problems with site visits and similar issues. Further, the development of contract specifications was impacted by uncertainty created by Covid 19. Delay in implementation of new contract following fully compliant procurement process.	Following fully compliant procurement process, new tender awarded to Mangaurd Plus in June 2021 (Contract executed in February 2022)