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Responsibility for Adverse Effects of EMR (Electromagnetic Radiation) and 5G Technology

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Mr Richard Bruton

Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment

Dear Minister

You recently “advised” publicly that the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment has assumed policy responsibility in relation to health effects of electromagnetic fields (EMF), including 5G.

The statement is problematic for a variety of reasons especially regarding the apparent lack of any public body designated by you as Minister, which could serve citizens seeking resolution to health impacts of pollution from telecommunications infrastructures.

There is a requirement on Government to appoint a public body to which citizens might complain when public health and wellbeing issues arise for them. A number of other associated questions also arise especially in the context of the preparations for the roll out of 5G technologies.

Background Information

My background is in Clinical Biochemistry and I have held senior posts in the medical diagnostics industry. Since 1979 I have been working as a practitioner of naturopathic medicine, specialising in the investigation of environmental problems as a cause of disease.

Sometime around October 2015, many long-term patients came to me with a combination of new puzzling symptoms. Initially I did not find the usual common causes of these problems and could not identify the sources. With further testing and investigation, I realised that the problem was coming from Cell Phones, WiFi and related equipment.

My patients had been exposed to this kind of equipment for many years- so what had changed? The mobile phone standards of performance had changed from 3G (Third Generation) to 4G (Fourth Generation) during 2015. This means that there is a significantly greater amount of data, measured in gigabits per second being transmitted. A communication from Professor Martin Pall, a researcher in this area, suggested that the increased use of pulsing of the signal could also be partly to blame for people’s increasing reactivity.

Since that time, I have identified at least 455 of my patients who are affected, some seriously, by Electromagnetic Radiation.

A major problem is that the suffering public are generally not exposing themselves to this radiation; it is being imposed on them by corporate interests, aided and abetted and facilitated by the regulatory authorities and government of this country. Many of my patients have approached me or the authorities for help and have asked me for help to identify which national Irish public authority they can approach to address their concerns. Most are worried that the current regulatory regime infringes their human rights in contravention of the Aarhus Convention and the ruling by the Supreme Court of the “right to bodily integrity” in 1965.

Key Questions Arising

I would accordingly ask you to clarify

- a. The statutory / legal base for the assumption of policy responsibility of health impacts of telecommunication infrastructures by the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment.
- b. The date of the Government decision approving the assumption of policy responsibility by Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment from the Minister for Health.
- c. If there was a transfer of Ministerial Functions Order signed by the Minister for Health to the Minister for Communications?

Other key questions arising from the assumption of public health policy responsibility by your Department include:

- d. What Public Authority in Ireland has been designated with responsibility for the legal and operational implementation of the public health policy function assumed by Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment?
- e. Which public body has been designated by the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment to accept and investigate personal and public health and wellbeing complaints, made by the citizen for pollution from Telecommunications Infrastructures?
- f. What complaints procedure for the public has been put in place to investigate issues of pollution from telecommunications infrastructures?
- g. What appeal mechanisms have been put in place by the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment to deal with complaints made by the public in relation to the impact of pollution from telecommunications infrastructures on them?
- h. What redress systems are available to the citizen in respect of pollution from Telecommunications Infrastructures?

Unsuspecting Public

Apart from the many who are suffering from the effects of EMF, the majority of people are unaware of the health impacts arising from such technologies, and do not realise that insurance for indemnity against health risks is not available to the telecommunications suppliers.

Your Department may be aware that the French physician and Researcher Dominique Belpomme has identified about a dozen reliable human biological markers for the deleterious effects of EMF. As these tests become more widely available people will begin to realise that 4G and 5G telecommunications are causing health problems and questions will be raised about the approval

and roll out of such technologies by Government, without adequate safety testing and an appropriate public health protection regime being put in place.

Conclusion

Contingent on the assumption by your Department of Ministerial policy responsibility for the health and wellbeing impacts of telecommunications infrastructures, I would appreciate it if you would advise me of a National Public Health agency or department to which my patients should be directed, to seek redress for the adverse effects of a supposedly regulated technology?

All my patients need access to the nationally designated public health authority with responsibility for remediation of the public health impacts of telecommunications infrastructures. Many of my patients are also in need of urgent access to a National complaints investigation, appeals and redress system.

Minister, with the advent and imminent rollout of 5G technology, and the implications which it has for the public health and wellbeing of this nation, your reply to the above questions is urgently needed.

The plans announced in local elections manifesto of Fine Gael to install 5G small cell transmitters throughout the country only highlight the urgency of providing adequate public health protection for citizens affected by the new Telecommunicaions Infrastructiures. The Fine Gael Plan includes the “tasking” of FineGael city and county councillors to allow the use of street light standards to beam the untested, 5G frequencies on homes and citizens. Why has there not been an information campaign, debate and a plebiscite to gauge public consent?

Many thanks for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours Sincerely,

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