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Daithí McKay
Chair of the Committee for Finance & Personnel
Room 144
Parliament Buildings
Stormont
Belfast
BT4 3XX

Dear Sir,

Re: Sale of NAMA Assets in Northern Ireland

We act on behalf of Frank Cushnahan and we have already engaged with you including our last letter on 11 December 2015.

In that letter we mentioned our *horror*, at various references made by you about our client and in particular your description of our client as a 'double agent' during the Committee session on Wednesday 9 December 2015.

You have not withdrawn that allegation at all.

The gratuitous use of this sinister expression and similar derogatory phrases has totally undermined our confidence in the ability of you (and your Committee) to conduct a fair investigation.

We have now had an opportunity to peruse the full transcript of Richard Bullick's evidence and it appears from your use of language as insofar as issues touch upon Mr Cushnahan, that you have pre-determined issues against him, without having concluded your investigation.

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Furthermore our letter sent directly and privately to you and dated 11 December 2015 still has not appeared on your official website, but has clearly been released to the media and has been quoted verbatim in the 'Irish News' to undermine our client's position further.

This is a most regrettable development, particularly as you and your Committee seem determined to undermine and prejudice the fairness of the NCA investigation involving our client and any court hearings that may ensue thereafter.

Accordingly, and for the above reasons, we will not be engaging further with you and your Committee.

Yours faithfully

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