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Statement by the Garda Representative Association

The Sunday Times has reported that the Garda Representative Association has reached a settlement with the Revenue Commissioners regarding the level of expenses paid.

The expenses issue was notified to the GRA Conference last May, and arose following a strategic review of the Association that identified legacy issues. The Ampersand Review, commissioned by the GRA in the last months of 2016, identified potential problems with the level of expenses paid since 2006 to GRA representatives and, in particular the Central Executive Committee members.

An unprompted voluntary disclosure was made to the Revenue Commissioners and a settlement reached for €365,000 including statutory interest and penalty covering four years which is standard for such matters. The disclosure was accepted by the Revenue Commissioners and the matter is now closed with it. GRA will not be listed on the tax defaulters' list.

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