## Written **Answers** -**Departmental Contracts** Wednesday, 30 June 2010

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232. Deputy Michael Kennedy (a) (a) asked the Minister for Defence (a) (a) if he will make public the names of all institutional laundries in receipt of State contracts for Army laundry after 1941; the length of time the policy of affording such contracts to institutional as distinct from commercial laundries continued after 1941; if fair wage clauses were inserted in such contracts awarded to institutional laundries; and if he will make a statement on the matter. [28567/10]

Minister for Defence (Deputy Tony Killeen): 

The information sought by the Deputy refers to contracts that were in place up to almost 70 years ago. In the short space of time available for answer, it has not been possible to establish the extent to which the records still exist and, if so, to locate them. However, the Department will seek to locate relevant records and will correspond directly with the Deputy in this regard in the near future.