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268. Deputy Kathleen Lynch (a) asked the Minister for Defence (b) when this Deputy can expect to receive the information promised in Parliamentary Question No. 475 of 6 July 2010; and if he will make a statement on the matter. [36540/10]

Minister for Defence (Deputy Tony Killeen): The Department has now completed a review of the contents of available files that were located following a review of file listings. Given that the initial question related to contracts that may have been placed up to seventy years ago, there was very little material found that referred to institutional laundries and much of what is available is incomplete. It is clear however from a review of the files that such laundries had tendered for the award of contracts from the Department. However, it has not proven possible to confirm whether any institutional laundry was actually awarded a contract.