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**Re: PQ 52573/18:** "To ask the Minister for Health if additional resources will be provided for the National Ambulance Service in the north east region with particular reference to the urgent need to upgrade the services in counties Cavan and Monaghan; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy Smith,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The National Ambulance Service can confirm that six additional staff were approved in the NAS Operational Plan (2018) for the former North East area. The Chief Ambulance Officer for North Leinster has deployed these staff to Monaghan and Castleblayney Ambulance Stations.

The additional staff has provided an additional emergency ambulance at both stations during the day Monday to Friday.

I trust this information is of assistance to and should you require additional information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Asst Chief Ambulance Officer