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27th July 2018

Inquiry into allegations regarding the operations and administration at the Malta College for Arts, Science and Technology (MCAST)

With reference to the subject in caption, following allegations made by a senior member of the MCAST staff (identity being disclosed by a separate cover) regarding the operations and administration at MCAST, received by the Ministry for Education and Employment, you are being appointed to serve as Chairperson of a Board of Inquiry which is being formed in terms of Article 4 (1) of the Inquiries Act (Cap. 273 of the Laws of Malta), and for the purposes cited in Article 3 of the Inquiries Act comprising also the purposes mentioned in Article 3 (b) thereof with the aim of investigating the allegations being made on the operations and administration at MCAST and on the acts and omissions of various officers.

In particular the Board of Inquiry is being provided with the following terms of reference:

1. To examine the allegations referred to here above relating to the operations and administration of MCAST as well as the various individuals that may be involved;
2. To investigate any other related irregularity that is brought to the attention of the Board in the course of the inquiry;
3. To establish and report on any incorrect and/or irregular behaviour and/or *prima facie* illegal/criminal conduct determined during the inquiry;
4. To make any recommendation as deemed necessary.

The composition of the said Board of Inquiry, in conformity with the provisions of article 4 (2) of the Inquiries Act includes the following members, and a secretary:

Members – Ms. Antoinette Caruana, Dr. Phyllis Aquilina

Secretary – Mr. Charles Sacco



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The Board of Inquiry is also kindly requested as per the terms of article 4 (4) of the Inquiries Act to carry out its functions and duties within a period of two (2) months from the date of this letter of appointment and to report its findings to the undersigned and to the Permanent Secretary of the said Ministry.

Hon. Evarist Bartolo
Minister for Education and Employment