





Department of Education and Skills Marlborough Street Dublin 1 D01 RC96

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Dear Mr. Joe McHugh, Minister for Education and Skills,

We refer to your letter of 30 September 2019 in which, in exercise of your powers under section 34 of the Technological Universities Act 2018, you informed us of your decision to postpone, subject to compliance with conditions under section 35, the granting of our application for an order under section 36 of the Act to establish the Munster Technological University. In accordance with section 35(4) (a) of the Act, Cork Institute of Technology and the Institute of Technology Tralee are now informing you of our view that the institutes have jointly complied with the conditions concerned. Our reasons for forming this view are set out in detail in the attached report. We also provide additional detailed supporting evidence in a set of appendices and addendums.

Overall, we are satisfied that the management, staff and students of the institutes have engaged in an intensive process of review and consultation since receipt of your letter. This has ensured compliance with the conditions set and also creates the foundations for a strong and vibrant technological university that will support the social and economic development of the South West in particular, while contributing to the overall welfare of Ireland.

Yours sincerely,

Bob Savage, CIT Governing Body Chair

Lionel Alexander, IT Tralee Governing Body Chair