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4 June 2025

The Hon. Chief Justice Emeritus Vincent A. Degaetano Commissioner for Education
Office of the Ombudsman
11, St. Paul Street
Valletta

Dear Commissioner,

Complaint by Mr Graham Sansone, in his own name and on behalf of the Union of Professional Educators (UPE)

The Ministry for Education, Sport, Youth, Research and Innovation (MEYR) does not agree with your Office's stand that Mr Sansone has a standing in this case due to his capacity within the UPE. The matter raised is a matter which affects all educators and thus falls under collective matters, something which the UPE cannot handle. Only the union recognised to have the majority of educators can intervene on collective matters.

Without prejudice to the above, the MEYR will keep on adhering to the PSMC manual which guides our policies for all employees in the public sector.

Should you require any clarifications, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Yours sincerely,

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Director Internal Audit and Compliance

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