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ISIA OFFERS SUPPORT TO AN GARDA SÍOCHÁNA

The Irish Security Industry Association (ISIA) offers support to An Garda Síochána in light of the recent concerns that the visit by the Queen and by US President Obama will exhaust its budget.

The private security industry and in particular members of the ISIA could prove to be a useful source of resources to which the public sector could outsource certain duties that are necessary to ensure security during the Queen and President Obama's visits. The ISIA represents private security companies across six different divisions of the private security sector. ISIA members are all licensed and employ fully licensed personnel, where required by the Private Security Authority (PSA), and in addition have its own requirements on its members to ensure they offer best in class services to customers of the private security industry. ISIA members who provide guarding services and private security staff for events could truly benefit from these high profile visits and free up the need for Garda resources in certain instances.

"ISIA member companies operate to the highest standards in the security industry", stated their president John Lawlor. He went on to state that "approaching ISIA members for support, could be the solution to the strain being caused by two high profile visits to the State. ISIA member companies are available to lend a hand. This could provide a financial boost for the private security sector, but it could also be a welcome relief to the public sector and in turn to the taxpayer."

About the Irish Security Industry Association

The ISIA was established in 1972 and represents security companies across six divisions of the private security sector; guarding, electronic security, event and entertainment security, monitoring centres, cash-in-transit, physical security and security consultants. The large majority of ISIA member companies fit into a category that requires licensing by the PSA and must comply with certain standards in order to be licensed. This is in addition to the stringent requirements of the ISIA Qualsec scheme. ISIA members represent a majority of the private security sector and 70-75 per cent of the turnover in the industry.

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