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The following statement has been issued by the Government Information Bureau on behalf of the Department of the Taoiseach:

The Minister for Justice, Mr. Micheal Ó Morain T.D., has today tendered to the Taoiseach his resignation as a member of the Government, on the ground of ill-health. The Taoiseach has accepted the Minister's decision with regret and in accordance with Article 28 - 9 - 3^o of the Constitution he has advised the President to accept the Minister's resignation.

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