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To ask the Taoiseach whether he has consulted the widow, who is next of kin, of Frank Stagg as to her wishes with regard to the disposal of her husband's remains following the desecration of the grave on Saturday night, and if not whether he will consult her, and whether he will be guided by her wishes, whether these be to leave the remains where they are now buried, or to restore them to the grave in which they were interred at her request, ~~as he will be aware that the widow's wishes were the sole consideration in the decision of the National Coalition Government in respect of the interment of the remains after their return to Ireland, and that that government had previously had to take action to vindicate the widow's rights in the face of a decision by British public authorities which deprived her of these rights.~~

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