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PRESS STATEMENT

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German Government did oppose McAliskey
but application is nothing could be said
in court by us about these stories.

Suggestions in today's Independent and Irish Post that Roisin McAliskey will be handcuffed during the birth of her child are untrue.

But in
my view
the L1

The Prison Service gave an undertaking in January 1996 that women prisoners will not be handcuffed during childbirth.

possibly
have not

Once a prisoner goes into hospital for the purpose of giving birth, any restraints are removed until the prisoner is due to return to the prison. This policy applies equally to Roisin McAliskey.

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reported.

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