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After King Charles III disputes his damning memoir, furious Earl Spencer tells MoS...

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I WON'T RESIGN OVER NAMING WHISTLEBLOWER

Asked if she was part of 'a cover up' Helen McEntee says 'I followed the law'

DEFIANT Minister Helen McEntee yesterday insisted she was not going to consider resigning in the face of mounting political pressure – and refused to answer whether she had been incompetent or part of a cover-up in her handling of Garda whistleblowers' protected disclosures when in Justice.

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She also told a press conference that she is refusing opposition requests to go into Dáil Éireann to explain her role in claims that she took a confidential protected disclosure about the gardaí by Superintendent Brian

O'Reilly and sent it to the gardaí against whom he was whistleblowing.

Labour TD Alan Kelly told the Dáil last week that in doing so she said she had 'acted without legal authority' and that her actions would 'haunt' the Coalition.

The Irish Mail on Sunday revealed last year then Justice Minister McEntee's alleged mishandling of Superintendent

O'Reilly's protected disclosure and a second, similar incident involving a Garda whistleblower, who received an apology for the disclosure of his personal information.

A press conference attended by three Fine Gael Ministers yesterday was dominated by a barrage of media questions to an

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