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Limerick gardai are being in Limerick Regional Hospital after a control car had been head-on by a suspected stolen car near Limerick, early yesterday.

Three occupants of the car are also in hospital.

The gardai, Timothy (36), a native of Kerry, and Wallace (29), a native of Limerick, were in their car, which was involved in the crash on the road at Breda, near Limerick, at 4.30 am, when the car struck theirs.

The car later turned out to have been taken from Curra Gardens, say the gardai. Its three occupants, two men in their mid-thirties and said not to have been wearing seat belts, were also taken to hospital. They are awaiting treatment by gardai, on the scene.

Two gardai received only minor head or neck injuries. All five are expected to be "stable".

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A two-year-old Limerick boy today being treated at Regional Hospital in Limerick for suspected head and neck injuries, after an air crash. He was taken to Regional Hospital after late last night's examination, it was decided to send him by air to Dublin. The rescue helicopter was picked up at the Regional Hospital at about 1 am, and took him to Dublin Airport by air, it being too dangerous to land at night at Limerick. An ambulance met the boy for transport.

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By MAIREAD NALLY

Mayor Jan O'Sullivan and President of the Limerick Chamber of Commerce, Jeannette



Jim Kemmy talking to Barry Desmond, MEP, at the Labour Party European selection convention in the Castletroy Park Hotel. (LL)

Kemmy's Euro selection

By DYMPHNA BRACKEN

DEPUTY Jim Kemmy was selected as the sole Labour candidate to contest next June's European elections for the Munster constituency, at the party's convention, last evening.

He was proposed by Mayor Jan O'Sullivan who described him as a strong and powerful public representative who always stood by the rights of ordinary people.

Deputy Kemmy told the delegates that he had not made the decision to contest these elections lightly. He said he did intend to do all in his power to win a seat next June no matter how strong the opposition against him will be.

The other parties have not yet held their conventions.

A defiant Deputy Kemmy told the convention that it is vital for the party to consolidate their gains in

last year's general election.

For the first time in its long history, he said, the party has become a real and major force in Irish politics.

"Let us not squander this position. Let us not waste this opportunity," he warned.

"We must not allow ourselves to be pushed back into the traditional see-saw role that has been the pattern of our 81 years history."

In a reference to Shannon, Deputy Kemmy said he did not believe in ducking difficult issues.

The reality is, he said, is that when the crunch came this year, the majority of deputies in all the political parties in Dail Eireann favoured a change in Shannon's status.

"It is not easy for those of us who live in the Mid-West to accept this situation but such is the reality we had to face," he said.

As a party, he said, the Labour party must ensure that Shannon will survive and that it will continue to generate jobs in transport, tourism and industry in the years ahead.

Tánaiste and party leader, Dick Spring in his address to the convention warned of a temptation in some quarters in Europe to deal with the problem of unemployment by progressively rolling back the rights that working people have won over many years.

The Labour party, he assured the delegates will not support that kind of approach.

"In fact" he said "we believe strongly that if the European Union is to be a success it must mean something to all of its citizens - those at work as well as those who are unemployed, and those who are old, infirm or handicapped."

A full time public representative, Deputy Kemmy who unsuccessfully contested the 1977 Dail election was elected in 1981 and February 1982.

Defeated in the November 1982 general election he was re-elected to the Dail in 1987 and has been elected at every election every since.

If elected to the European parliament, Deputy Kemmy intends to exercise a dual mandate in both parliaments until the next general election when he will not be a candidate.

If the matter of the two salaries arises, he will only accept one income and will donate his Dail salary to the Labour party at national and local level.

Deputy Toddy O'Sullivan, Cork will be the party's first substitute candidate.

Senator Mary Kelly was selected as the party second substitute.

The other substitutes are Jack Walsh, Waterford; Joe Walsh, Clare and Cllr Frank Prendergast.

