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Dear Tim,

**PRISON SERVICE PAY REVIEW BODY 2023-24 PAY ROUND**

Thank you for your letter of 27 January regarding the Government's evidence submission to the PSPRB for the 2023-24 pay round.

I am grateful for the continued dedication of the PSPRB in carrying out such valuable work, and appreciate the frustration caused by the delay to the submission of our evidence, and the impact that this has had on the overall pay round timeline.

I am pleased that our evidence has now been submitted to the PSPRB and published, following confirmation from OME of the formal evidence exchange having taken place.

I recognise that the delay to our evidence submission will mean the PSPRB's report will likely also be delayed, and I welcome any contribution you and your members can play in delivering recommendations to Government at the earliest opportunity. Now that we have concluded the phase of submissions of written evidence, I am sure that all the parties would welcome your estimate of when you hope to submit your recommendations to Government. If at all possible, I remain keen that we can conclude this year's pay round earlier than last year's, and make progress towards a more timely outcome.

Thank you for the PSPRB's commitment to helping us determine prison service pay. I look forward to engaging with you in the upcoming Oral Evidence sessions, and receiving your report in due course.

Yours sincerely,

**Damian Hinds**  
**Minister for Prisons and Probation**