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# Foreword

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I welcome the second report from David Anderson covering the last 12 months of the operation of Part 1 of the Terrorist Asset-Freezing etc. Act 2010 (“the Act”).

David Anderson’s report forms an accessible and informative update to his first report on the operation of the asset freezing provisions under the Act and provides an important evaluation of the Treasury’s exercise of their powers under the Act between September 2011 and September 2012.

I welcome the recommendation made in the report to increase transparency and assist those who may be affected by an asset freeze after being removed from the list of designations. This document sets out the Government’s response to the recommendation. The response has been agreed with departments and agencies with an interest in the operation of these provisions.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized initial 'D' followed by a long horizontal line that ends in a small upward tick.

Lord Deighton

Commercial Secretary to the Treasury



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## Response to recommendation

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### **Recommendation 10:**

The Treasury should routinely provide any formerly designated individual or group who requests one with a written statement explaining why designation has been revoked or allowed to lapse.

*Source: David Anderson QC, The Second Annual Report on the Operation of the Terrorist Asset-Freezing etc Act 2010, p 26.*

**1.1** As outlined in the Treasury response to the Independent Reviewer's First Report (paragraphs 1.12 and 1.13), the Treasury understands that those who have previously been subject to an asset freeze may continue to feel its effects after they have been delisted. The Treasury therefore welcomes and intends to accept Mr Anderson's recommendation.

**1.2** The Treasury will consider all requests for such a written statement and will provide a response in line with paragraph 5.9 of the Second Report. The Treasury hopes that such a letter may be of use to the formerly designated person, as suggested in the Independent Reviewer's report (paragraphs 5.5 to 5.10).







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