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Dear Dean

Following the decision of the directors of the Thomas Cook Group to place the company into compulsory liquidation, the court has appointed the Official Receiver as liquidator.

As you know, the Official Receiver is under a statutory duty to investigate the cause of failure of any company and will do so in this case.

I am aware that the investigation is currently underway and given the significance of this case and its implications for thousands of customers and employees, I would be grateful if he could treat this as a priority.

I ask that the investigation by the Official Receiver looks, not only at the conduct of directors immediately prior to and at insolvency, but also at whether any action by directors has caused detriment to creditors or to the pension schemes.

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