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ACMD advice on lisdexamphetamine, zopiclone and zaleplon

I am grateful for the Advisory Council's latest advice on lisdexamphetamine, zopiclone and zaleplon.

The ACMD's consideration of these drugs is most welcome in light of the potential harms associated with their misuse, and the continued concerns around the misuse and harms of prescription medicines generally in the UK.

I accept the ACMD's advice in full; to control lisdexamphetamine as a Class B and Schedule 2 drug, and zopiclone and zaleplon as Class C and Schedule 4 Part 1 drugs. My officials will commence work to implement the ACMD advice in the coming months, keeping you updated on their progress.

Yours sincerely,

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