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Dear Les

**Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs advice on the NBOMe and Benzofuran compounds**

I am grateful for the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs's latest advice on the NBOMe and Benzofuran compounds. Work on tackling the emergence and availability of new psychoactive substances remains a key priority for the Government.

The ACMD's further consideration and advice on the NBOMe and Benzofuran compounds is welcomed. The evidence around the availability and harms of these substances continues to underscore the realities of the new psychoactive substances market and the challenges both the Government and the ACMD face in responding to it. I am therefore accepting your advice.

I would like to thank the ACMD for your diligence in completing the review of these compounds within five months of the temporary class drug order coming into force. This will allow for the completion of the legislative process for full and permanent control within the 12-month period anticipated by the Temporary Class Drug Order provisions.

Yours sincerely

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