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Dear Peter

THE PRISON SERVICE PAY REVIEW BODY (PSPRB) - 2017/18 PAY ROUND

I am writing firstly to express my thanks for your valuable work on the 2016-17 pay round and secondly, to formally commence the 2017-18 pay round.

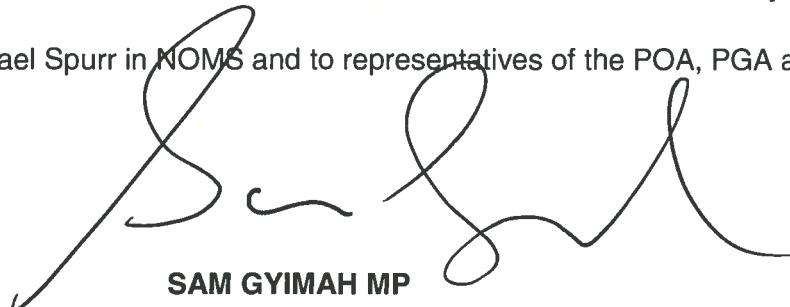
The Chief Secretary to the Treasury wrote to you and all other Pay Review Body Chairs on 17 July 2016 to set out the government's approach to public sector pay and reaffirm the government's policy to fund public sector workforces for pay awards of an average of 1 per cent a year, up to 2019/20.

In accordance with the government's public sector pay policy, the PSPRB will want to consider what awards are justified within the bounds of pay restraint, and in doing so, consider whether there is a case for targeted pay to address workforce issues such as recruitment and retention. My department is committed to providing you with targeted pay proposals supported by high-quality evidence to inform your recommendations.

I recognise the independent nature of the PSPRB and am grateful for the valuable work that you and your colleagues perform to develop your recommendations for your remit group.

I would be grateful if your recommendations could be forwarded no later than mid-February 2017.

I am copying this letter to Michael Spurr in NOMS and to representatives of the POA, PGA and PCS.



SAM GYIMAH MP