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Information Fair Trader Commitment

I am personally committed to making sure that National Offender Management Service (NOMS) trade fairly. To show the strength of my commitment, both in NOMS and to our customers, I have asked The National Archives to begin the process of verification that the organisation and decision making of NOMS support this commitment in practice.

I will insist that we strictly follow an open and transparent system of trading that meets the terms of the Competition Act 1998. My aim is that, in principle, we can meet all the needs of anyone who applies for a licence to re-use information-based products and services for any purpose.

The role of information trading is written into our business model. We set prices, and methods for setting prices (such as royalty schemes), in line with the role of information trading within NOMS Commercial Activity business model.

I am committed to reducing as far as possible the administrative burden on people who re-use public sector information. I will make sure that we use processes for trading information that are similar to those of the rest of the public sector.

I will tell the Controller of HMSO about any complaints I receive that my organisation has broken this commitment, and I will investigate them thoroughly. If The National Archives decides to investigate a complaint, I will allow the investigation team to see the relevant staff and records. I will report complaints regularly to the Advisory Panel on Public Sector Information.

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