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David,

POLICE REMUNERATION REVIEW BODY – REPORT FOR NORTHERN IRELAND 2016

Thank you for your letter of 8 June, and the report and recommendations of the Police Remuneration Review Body in relation to police officers up to the rank of chief superintendent in the PSNI.

I am pleased to confirm that, following due consideration, I am content to accept all recommendations put forward in your report; namely a consolidated increase of one per cent to all pay points and the Northern Ireland Transitional Allowance, and a 1% increase to the dog handlers' allowance. I have also noted your comments about the Competence Related Threshold Payment scheme and the on-call allowance.

I welcome the advice offered in relation to the next and subsequent reviews and will encourage parties here to proceed as outlined to provide robust and timely evidence.

In line with normal procedures relating to public sector pay in Northern Ireland, the Finance Minister will be required to approve and sign-off on these proposals. My officials are liaising with the Department of Finance in this regard with the aim of any pay award being

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effective from 1 September. As you are aware we will not be able to publicise these decisions until after the Finance Minister has approved the associated pay remits.

Thank you for your work on these important matters and I look forward to developing our relationship during my time in office.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C Sugden". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending from the end of the name.

CLAIRE SUGDEN MLA
Minister of Justice