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Dear Mr Howard

I am writing to inform you of the Government's view of the position of Stanmore College in light of Further Education (FE) Commissioner and Skills Funding Agency monitoring since the FE Commissioner's initial intervention assessment in December 2016.

Following a recent inspection by Ofsted, completed in February 2017, I am pleased to note that your College has received an Ofsted grading of 'Good'. I would like to congratulate you on this significant improvement, and I am therefore bringing Stanmore College out of FE Commissioner Intervention.

This improvement clearly reflects commitment and determined efforts by you, your leadership team and College staff to deliver high quality provision in your community.

I am also pleased to hear of your recent announcement that, as an outcome of the London Area Review, you are now working towards a merger with West Herts College. The Education and Skills Funding Agency will shortly write to you about its continuing monitoring and support processes which will focus on ensuring that improvements are implemented as planned up until merger completion.

This letter will be published on gov.uk.

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