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16th October 2017

Dear Members/Directors

Termination Warning Notice to the Members and Directors of the Woodnewton Academy Trust in respect of Exeter – A Learning Community Academy

In accordance with section 2A of the Academies Act 2010ⁱ any funding agreement of an academy may be terminated by the Secretary of State where special measures are required to be taken by the academy or the academy requires significant improvement and the Chief Inspector of Ofsted has given notice of that under section 13(3)(a) of the Education Act 2005.

I received an Ofsted notification dated 10th January 2017 confirming that **Exeter – A Learning Community Academy** was judged to be inadequate and requires special measures. In particular, the report highlighted the lack of action taken by leaders to make improvements based on findings from the previous inspection; 'Leaders have not dealt with the weaknesses identified at the previous inspection'.

An education adviser and department official subsequently visited the school and reported to me the findings of that visit which were shared with the school. I also note that the Ofsted section 8 monitoring report published on 26th May 2017 found that school leaders were not taking effective action towards the removal of special measures.

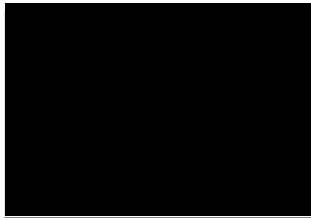
In making the decision on whether to terminate the funding agreement I will consider any written representations you wish to make. The most recent monitoring report is from May; any changes you have effected since then can be included in the written

representations, should you choose to make any.

Please provide me with any representations you have **by Tuesday 14th November**, copying in [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] as Regional Leads for Northamptonshire.

I am copying this letter to the National Schools Commissioner; [REDACTED], Northamptonshire County Council; and [REDACTED], Department for Education.

Yours sincerely

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Regional Schools Commissioner for North West London South Central

ⁱ Inserted by section 14 of the Education and Adoption Act 2016