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Chair of Governors
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## Dear Mr Rodgers

On 23 August 2016 I wrote to Barry Hersom, former Principal and Accounting Officer, to serve notice that Heathrow Aviation Engineering UTC ('the trust') was required to improve financial management and governance at the trust. This was as a consequence of the trust's failure to balance its budget and concerns in relation to weak financial management at the trust.

We have closely monitored the trust's progress against the conditions set in the notice, which have included the completion of an external review of governance, the agreement of a financial recovery plan, and the submission of the 2015/16 audited financial statements and management letter by 31 December 2016. As a result of these actions, I am pleased to inform you that I am content that the FNtI conditions have been met and the FNtI will be lifted, with effect from the date of this letter

This letter will be published on the GOV.UK website in due course, following on from the publication of the FNtl on 23 August 2016. I am copying this letter to Joanne Harper, Executive Principal at Heathrow Aviation Engineering UTC, and Martin Post, the Regional Schools Commissioner for North-West London and South-Central England.

It is important that the trust continues to exercise strong financial oversight. I would like to thank you for your contribution in ensuring the trust has reached this position.

Yours sincerely

Mike Pettifer

Director, Academies and Maintained Schools Group

Cc: Joanne Harper, Executive Principal at Heathrow Aviation Engineering UTC Martin Post, RSC for North-West London and South Central England