## <u>Terms of reference of the review of the "closed material procedure" provisions</u> in the Justice and Security Act 2013

- 1. In accordance with s.13(1) and (2) of the Justice and Security Act 2013 ("the Act"), to review the operation of the following sections of the Act covering the period from 25 June 2013 to 24 June 2018:
  - Section 6 (declaration permitting closed material applications in proceedings)
  - Section 7 (review and revocation of declaration under section 6)
  - Section 8 (determination by court of applications in section 6 proceedings)
  - Section 9 (appointment of special advocate)
  - Section 10 (saving for normal disclosure rules)
  - Section 11 (general provision about section 6 proceedings)
- In relation to the above, to review the operation of section 17(3)(e) (disclosure proceedings) of the Act, and of those procedure rules relevant to sections 6-11 of the Act.
- 3. To report to the Secretary of State for Justice.

In accordance with s.13(5) and (6) of the Act, the Secretary of State must lay a copy of the reviewer's report before Parliament. Before doing so, the Secretary of State may, after consulting the reviewer, exclude from the copy any part of the report that would, in the opinion of the Secretary of State, be damaging to the interests of national security if it were included in the copy laid before Parliament.