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Naomi Long MLA Minister of Justice Stormont Estate Belfast BT4 3SG

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Dear Minister,

PRISON SERVICE PAY REVIEW BODY 2022 NORTHERN IRELAND REPORT

Thank you for your letter dated 1 April, asking the Prison Service Pay Review Body to reengage for the 2022-23 pay round.

I have now asked our secretariat to liaise with Ronnie Armour and his team with the aim of commissioning evidence and producing a Northern Ireland report for 2022 as soon as is practicable. We hope with the relaxation of Covid-19 restrictions, the Review Body will be able to visit Northern Ireland in June to re-engage with the parties and to visit the establishments to ensure our understanding of the issues are up to date. Subject to finalising a detailed timetable, the Review Body is working towards submitting a report to you by the end of this year.

I am copying this letter to Ronnie Armour, Director General of the Northern Ireland Prison Service, and to the organisations that represent our remit group – the POA(NI) and the Prison Governors' Association(NI).

Yours sincerely

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Tim Flesher Chair, Prison Service Pay Review Body