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Dear Mr Flesher

PRISON GRADES PAY SETTLEMENT 2022

Thank you for your letter dated 15 December 2022 in relation to the pay settlement for prison grades in Northern Ireland for 2022. I am writing to thank you and your colleagues for your approach to this pay round and your recommendations on addressing a range of structural issues.

NIPS submitted the pay remit to the Department of Finance and discussed your recommendations. In addition to acceptance of the PSPRB recommendations in full, it was agreed that we should address the Minister's wish to definitively address differentials. Therefore, the CPO maximum will be increased to £37,403 and the Senior Officer post 2002 maximum will be increased to £44,732.

NIPS colleagues will liaise with your Secretariat on the timing of the publication of the report on the Prison Service Pay Review Body website. NIPS will action the pay changes and pay arrears, as appropriate, and lay a copy of the PSPRB report in the Assembly library.

Yours sincerely

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