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Dear Zoë,

POLICE REMUNERATION REVIEW BODY REMIT FOR 2024/25

I would like to thank the Police Remuneration Review Body (PRRB) for the work undertaken to support the 2023/24 pay process and for receipt of its ninth report for Northern Ireland.

It is regrettable that in the absence of a Northern Ireland Executive the Department has to date been unable to conclude the pay round for 2023/24. I wish to assure you that this is now a priority decision which I will give my full consideration to.

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However, this cannot delay considerations of the next pay round, and therefore I am writing to ask the PRRB to commence its annual review in respect of officers of the PSNI for 2024/25, in conjunction with that for police officers in England and Wales.

In line with the principle of broad alignment of PSNI officer pay with those in England and Wales, I ask you to formally commence the 2024/25 pay round and I refer to the PRRB the following matters:

- How to apply the pay award for 2024/25 for police officers in the PSNI up to and including chief superintending ranks;
- Consideration of the regular elements of the Northern Ireland Transitional Allowance and the Dog Handlers' Allowance.

While the Northern Ireland Public Sector Pay Policy has not been set for 2024/25, I would ask that the PRRB give careful consideration to the affordability position in Northern Ireland which will be set out in both written and oral evidence.

As in previous years, I would invite you to have regard to PRRB's standing terms of reference. We would welcome receipt of your tenth report and recommendations by the end of June 2024. I look forward to working with you and your members in support of the process for the year ahead.

Yours sincerely



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