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Dear Zoë,

## 2023/24 PAY AWARD TO THE FEDERATED AND SUPERINTENDING RANKS OF THE POLICE SERVICE OF NORTHERN IRELAND (PSNI)

I am writing to thank you and your members for the Police Remuneration Review (PRRB) 2023 report in respect of PSNI officers.

I am pleased to confirm that I have approved the following PRRB recommendations.

- A consolidated increase of 7% to all police officers pay points for all ranks up to and including assistant chief constable.
- The removal of pay point 0 of the constable pay scale.
- Point 3 of the chief superintendent pay scale to be uplifted by £2,838 from 1
   September 2023 and £2,837 from 1 September 2024. These uplifts are to be made before the application of the respective pay awards for these years.

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- A consolidated increase of 5% to the PSNI Chief Constable pay point from 1 September 2023.
- A consolidated increase of 6.4% to the PSNI Deputy Chief Constable pay point from
   1 September 2023 to set it at 82.5% of the Chief Constable pay point.
- Dog Handlers' Allowance to be uprated by 7%.
- All constables to move to pay point 2 after twelve months on pay point 1, as is already
  the case in England and Wales.
  - An increase of 7% in the current level of the Northern Ireland Transitional Allowance (NITA) from 1 September 2023.

I have agreed to defer the following two recommendations for approval to allow for further consideration of how they may be progressed.

- The introduction of a police regulation in Northern Ireland on police officer increments to ensure that they are paid on time.
- That the current level of the Competence Related Threshold Payment (CRTP) does
  not increase and that, by 30 November 2023, the DoJ submits a full proposal with a
  firm timeline for the removal of CRTP and convergence with allowances in England
  and Wales, in the context of parity.

I am content that you now publish the report for Northern Ireland on your website and would like to thank you for your work on the 2023/24 pay round. I look forward to working with you in the coming months.

Yours sincerely

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