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Dear Mr May

**Public Accounts Committee Evidence Session on the NIAO report on
'Speeding up justice: avoidable delay in the criminal justice system'**

Thank you for your letter dated 23 March 2021 in which you provided an update on the NIAO recommendations and further details to support your request to defer the commencement of this inquiry.

The Committee considered your correspondence, in detail, at their meeting on the 25 March 2021 and whilst acknowledging the points you made, agreed that the inquiry into 'Speeding up Justice, delays in the criminal system' should not be delayed until Autumn.

I am therefore writing to request you attend the Committee's meeting on **Thursday 20 May 2021, at 2:15 pm in the Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings.**

Under current restrictions we can accommodate 2 witnesses attending in person and any further witnesses attending remotely via Starleaf. If you prefer to all attend the evidence session remotely, please advise of this also.

Please also provide a short biography and picture of yourself and your supporting officials as background information to the Committee. For Hansard and Starleaf purposes can you please provide a contact e-mail, office address and telephone number of

Please respond by email using the address above by 14 April 2021.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "William J. Humphrey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "W".

William Humphrey MBE MLA
Chairperson of the Public Accounts Committee