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Dear Billy

Savings (Government Contributions) Bill - Legislative Consent Motion

At its meeting on 20 October 2016, the Committee for Communities considered correspondence from the Minister which set out his intention to legislate on a provision to add bonuses payable to the Northern Ireland Act 1998.

The Committee agreed that I should write to the Department to seek further clarification, in writing, for making the payment of bonuses an excepted matter within Schedule 2 of the NI Act rather than dealing with the issue through an Assembly Bill.

I would be grateful if you could provide this information ahead of its consideration of a draft report at its meeting next week.

Yours sincerely

Kevin Pelan

**Dr Kevin Pelan
Clerk to the Committee for Communities**