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From: The Chief Executive

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Kathy O'Hanlon
Deputy Clerk
Committee for Finance & Personnel
By email: kathy.o'hanlon@niassembly.gov.uk

Dear Ms O'Hanlon

LEGAL COMPLAINTS AND REGULATION BILL

I am writing to introduce myself as Chief Executive of the Law Society of Northern Ireland, the membership organisation for solicitors.

I note from the Hansard Report of 3 July that it is anticipated that the above Bill shall be brought before the Assembly in the 2012/13 session.

I thought it would be useful to introduce myself and perhaps to provide some background briefing also to the Committee Chairman, Deputy Chairman and Clerks in relation to the broad work of the Law Society by way of introduction. It would also be useful to open and establish channels of communication at this time. This is part of an ongoing programme of work we have with the various Committees and Ministers at the Assembly and I very much hope that my offer would be well received by the Chairman and Deputy Chairman as part of our wider work and engagement with the Assembly.

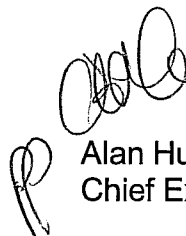
We would be delighted if the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and Clerks would be available to join with us for lunch here at Law Society House either preceded by or followed by a short presentation at which I would set out the work of the Law Society in its broadest terms, how we deal with issues and the contribution which we make generally to the Northern Ireland economy and some of our ongoing initiatives in terms of bringing both jobs and seeking to inject funds into the economy through some of our international contacts.

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I hope that this is an invitation which would be welcomed and I look forward to hearing from you. If it is not possible for you to join us for lunch I would be happy of course to come to Parliament Buildings to go through the short presentation there.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. Hunter', written in a cursive style.

Alan Hunter
Chief Executive

Dictated by Alan Hunter and signed in his absence.