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Dear

In response to your question in the Chamber following my 21 January 2014 Statement on January Monitoring, I committed to providing you with detail on the Barnett consequentials received in the 2013 Autumn Statement relating to the provision of Free School Meals in England.

I can now advise that the relevant Barnett additions amounted to £14.9 million Resource DEL and £2.3 million Capital DEL in 2014-15 and a further £21.1 million of Resource DEL in 2015-16. Importantly, these additions are unhypothecated and it will be for the Executive to determine how this funding is allocated.

I will arrange for copies of this letter to be placed in the Assembly Library.

Yours sincerely

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