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Dear Claire,

NORTHERN IRELAND PUBLIC SERVICES OMBUDSPERSON (NIPSO) BILL

Further to my letter of 22 May on the above Bill, I wrote to the Justice Committee on 4 June. In that letter, which I understand was shared with you, I indicated that further consideration would be given to the listed authorities in Schedule 3 to the NIPSO Bill relating to policing, criminal justice and law.

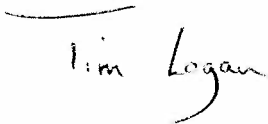
The Police Rehabilitation and Retraining Trust (PRRT) is an arm's-length body of the Department, established as a body corporate under the Police Rehabilitation and Retraining Trust Regulations 2014. PRRT, therefore, exercises functions conferred on it by a statutory provision. Consequently, the Department would submit that Schedule 3 to the NIPSO Bill be amended to include PRRT as a listed authority relating to Policing, Criminal Justice and Law.

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I would be grateful if the Committee would give consideration to amending the Bill at the appropriate juncture. I have written to the Clerk to the Committee for Justice to notify the Committee of the Department's request.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tim Logan".

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