

Written Ministerial Statement

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THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE

STATEMENT BY THE FIRST MINISTER AND DEPUTY FIRST MINISTER ON THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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Ministers: The term of office of Mr Larkin QC as Attorney General for Northern Ireland comes to an end on 30 June 2020. The Executive Office will initiate a selection process to help us identify and appoint a successor. This process will be based on the principles that apply to public appointments and will be an open competition. We recognise the importance of the position and are considering a number of options to ensure continuity in maintaining the responsibilities and statutory functions of the Attorney General and his office in accordance with the Justice (Northern Ireland) Act 2002.

We would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the Executive, to thank Mr John Larkin QC for his tireless and invaluable work over the past decade.

We will provide a further update to the Assembly in due course.