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Dear Alan

RESPONSE TO A SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTION TO THE FIRST MINISTER ON 24 JUNE IN RESPECT OF TOPICAL QUESTION (AQT 428/22-27)

During Topical Question time on 24 June 2024, you asked the First Minister and deputy First Minister '…for an update on the number of applications received to date by the Troubles permanent disablement payment scheme and the number of applicants who have received an award'.

We can confirm that as of the 21 October 2024, 10,118 applications have been submitted to the Scheme. 2,137 determinations have been made by the Victims' Payments Board, with 1,390 of these recommended for payment. 966 applicants have received an award resulting in payments of almost £63.5 million having now been made since the Scheme opened.

We hope you find this response helpful.

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Yours sincerely

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