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Dear Home Secretary,

Thank you for your response to the Committee's recent report, 'Technology rules? the advent of new technologies in the justice system'.

The Committee has asked me to pass on to you that we are disheartened by the Home Office reaction to what we hoped would be understood as constructive conclusions and recommendations. These are very much in line with the recommendations of other recently published work, and have been supported by those in the sector to whom I have spoken. The response read to us as more satisfied with the current position than is consonant with the evidence we had received.

I hope therefore that when the House debates the report, the Minister will be able to explore with us in more depth the points that we raised, and not simply be briefed to repeat the formal response.

I am copying this to Baroness Williams of Trafford.

Yours sincerely,

Baroness Sally Hamwee,
Chair, House of Lords Justice and Home Affairs Committee