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The Right Honourable
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Sir Bob Neill MP
Chair of the Justice Committee
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Dear Bob,

APPOINTMENT OF HER MAJESTY'S CHIEF INSPECTOR OF PRISONS

I am writing to thank you for holding the pre-appointment hearing for the role of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Prisons (HMCIP) last week.

I am pleased to note the committee's support for Charlie Taylor and am writing to confirm my decision to recommend his appointment (via the Prime Minister) to Her Majesty the Queen for a three-year tenure from 1 November 2020 to 31 October 2023.

As part of the process of appointing a new HMCIP, I have reviewed the Terms of Appointment and, on consideration, I have agreed a small increase in remuneration (from £135,000 to £140,000 pa) for the duration of Mr Taylor's tenure.

Yours ever

RT HON ROBERT BUCKLAND QC MP