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Dear Simon,

Appointment of the new Commissioner for Public Appointments

Thank you for the Committee's report following the pre-appointment scrutiny hearing with Fiona Cannon OBE, as the Prime Minister's preferred candidate for the role of Commissioner for Public Appointments. I am very grateful for the Committee's consideration of this matter.

I am pleased to hear that the Committee is satisfied that Ms Cannon is suitable to be appointed to this role. I am confident that Ms Cannon's attributes and experience will enable her to be a highly effective Commissioner for Public Appointments.

We will now take the remaining steps to finalise Ms Cannon's appointment.

Yours sincerely,

Darren Jones

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