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FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE

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The Rt Hon Theresa May MP
Home Secretary
Home Office
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Dear Home Secretary,

Following the recent publication of Winsor Part 2 we wish to convey to you the utter dismay, consternation and disillusion this has caused our members – those hard-working police officers that are already being hit hard by the current implementation of proposals in Winsor Part 1.

Contrary to popular belief, the police service is no stranger to reform and has adapted to the major changes that have been made to working practices in the police service year-upon-year, particularly in the last decade. But what Winsor is suggesting goes far beyond reform and threatens to undermine the very foundations of British policing and the public we serve.

The report itself is ill-conceived, ill-considered and contains ideas that have already been discussed and rejected in the past. The language used appears to be deliberately offensive to officers and betrays a troubling lack of understanding of the realities of modern policing.

Home Secretary, you once promised our members "I will always back you. I will always support you. I will always fight for you". Here is your opportunity to demonstrate that your promise was more than just a sound-bite. Show your support for police officers, help restore their morale and their faith in this government and reject Winsor Part 2 outright

Yours sincerely,

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