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From the Prime Minister's Chief of Staff

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*Dear Mr Lindsay*

LETTER TO SINN FEIN

I have copied to you a letter to Ken Sutton about the paragraphs in the letter on prisoners.

The Prime Minister would also like to redraft the paragraph on Irish culture (attached). Are we safe to say in the second sentence "we have long made clear that ...."? If not, are we offering a new policy to Sinn Fein, and if so is this wise? If you have any doubts we would rather delete these sentences.

The Prime Minister also wants the last paragraph of the draft deleted.

Once we have resolved these questions the draft is ready for despatch.

*Yours*

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