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Dear Home Secretary,

Response to HMIC Commissioned Review of CT Funding arrangements

I am writing to you in accordance with s.55(5) of the Police Act 1996 to respond to the recent PCC commissioned HMIC Review of Counter Terrorism (CT) Funding in the East Midlands.

In June 2014 I commissioned, on behalf of the 5 East Midlands PCCs, a piece of work through HMIC to *Inspect the effectiveness and efficiency of managing counter terrorism funding arrangements across the East Midlands region through a single counter terrorism grant rather than through separate funding streams*. In December HMIC published its findings.

It is our belief in the East Midlands that the concept of a pooled funding stream for CT offers significant opportunities for us to respond to this ever changing threat and deliver efficiencies and we are pleased that HMIC were in agreement, albeit with the caveat that it is difficult to say definitively if this was due to the single CT funding stream model, our regional approach to Special Branch, or a combination of both factors.

An unexpected outcome of this piece of work was the highlighting of inconsistencies in how each of us 5 PCCs are briefed on the threat and risk of terrorism and we will certainly be ensuring that this is rectified to ensure that we all understand both the regional and local threat and risk profiles.

It is our hope that this work will prove useful to other areas of the country who have different funding structures and will help contribute towards the move towards a more evidence-based approach to the delivery of policing in this vital area of business.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alan Charles". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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