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Dear David,

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS ARISING FROM THE MI5 AND CT POLICING REVIEWS INTO THE 2017 TERRORIST ATTACKS

I am writing with regards to the stocktake you agreed to conduct into the implementation of the recommendations generated by MI5 and CT Policing post-attack reviews and the Operational Improvement Review (OIR).

I would firstly like to thank you for the work you undertook last year to provide assurance on the review process. The high quality of the MI5 and CT Policing reports, your open report and your covering letter to me are a testament to the hard work you – and others – put into this process.

As I said in my statement to Parliament on 5 December, implementation of the recommendations from the post-attack reviews and OIR will be crucial. Thank you for agreeing to provide an independent stocktake of progress in a year's time, to give me and the National Security Council confidence that the recommendations made in the review have been implemented or, if that has not been possible, that they are on track to be implemented as soon as is reasonably practicable.

Your stocktake will take place alongside other processes for monitoring delivery. An OIR Oversight Board has been established and will monitor progress on delivering the recommendations. I have also asked the Director General of OSCT to provide me with quarterly updates of progress, which will be supplied to you, and I will meet Andrew Parker and Cressida Dick after six

months to discuss how implementation is going. As you know, the Intelligence and Security Committee of Parliament also intends to conduct some work in this area.

You should engage as you see necessary with lead officials and Ministers in MI5, CT Policing and the relevant Government departments who are responsible for delivering recommendations from the reviews. You will be able to discuss what progress has been made with these officials and Ministers and ask for any follow up information. You should also have access to any documentation you need as part of this work.

I would be grateful if you could complete your stocktake by the end of January 2019 and provide your conclusions to me, copied to the Prime Minister and the ISC.

Please also prepare an unclassified summary of your conclusions for public use, which, subject to discussions with the relevant information owners, I will place in the House Library. Those discussions are to ensure that nothing in the public facing document could prejudice national security.

While it seems unlikely that such a review could adversely affect criminal prosecutions or inquests relating to the 2017 terrorist attacks, please also ensure that any published version of your conclusions does not do so.

Thank you again for agreeing to undertake this further work.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amber Rudd', written in a cursive style.

Rt Hon Amber Rudd MP