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Rt Hon Theresa May MP Home Secretary 2 Marsham Street London SW1P 4DF

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Dear Home Secretary,

As required within Section 55(5) of the Police Act 1996, I write in response to the recently published findings of Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary (HMIC), "Making best use of police time: An inspection of crime prevention, police attendance and use of police time".

Whilst the letter sent to Chief Constables offered constructive feedback, the findings of the national report and how they were communicated were lost in unhelpful language about 'postcode lotteries' and demands for 'uniformity'.

I am concerned by HMIC's presentation of this report. The inspectorate appears trapped in a bureaucratic narrative about national policing strategies which, on the face of it, run contrary to government policy.

That being said, the observations on Dyfed-Powys are helpful, particularly in relation to management information. We will look closely at this in the coming months.

A copy of this response is published on <u>my website</u>.

Yours sincerely,

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