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Dear Gus

MINISTERIAL CODE: REFERENCE TO OFFICIAL STATISTICS

Thank you for your letter dated 25 June, and for letting me know that the Ministerial Code has been updated to include guidance on statistical propriety, emphasising the need for Ministers to remain mindful of the Code of Practice for Official Statistics and the provisions of the Pre-Release Access to Official Statistics Order.

The Board of the Statistics Authority warmly welcomes this development, and agrees with you that the inclusion of this guidance in the Ministerial Code will help further to ensure the commitment of Ministers to the integrity of the UK statistical system.

Yours sincerely



Sir Michael Scholar KCB