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Dear Professor Jowell,

Treatment of Penalty Notices for Disorder within published statistics

Thank you for your letter of 30 March on the above issue.

I have asked senior statisticians in the Ministry of Justice to look at the issues your letter raises, and to discuss them with colleagues at the Department of Children, Schools and Families. A meeting is presently being arranged and we will aim to progress these discussions in time to consult the National Statistician and report back to the Authority during May 2009, as you request.

I will ask the Department's new Head of Profession for Statistics, Iain Bell, to report back directly to the National Statistician and to the Authority on the issues of statistical detail.

I am copying this letter to David Bell.

Yours sincerely,

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