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Dear Alan

ADMINISTRATIVE DATA RESEARCH NETWORK: GOVERNANCE

I am writing to respond formally on behalf of the UK Statistics Authority to the report of the Administrative Data Taskforce published in December 2012, which you chaired.¹ I have also read with interest the Government's response to your report, and I am pleased to learn that excellent progress continues to be made in this area.

At its meeting on 3 October 2013, the Board of the Statistics Authority discussed the extent of progress in establishing the Administrative Data Research Network and, in light of a recommendation in your report, formally agreed to proposals for the Authority's governance role in relation to the ADRN. The National Statistician and senior Authority officials continue to engage with the Economic and Social Research Council in establishing the mechanisms for this governance role. The Authority Board has appointed Professor David Hand, a non-executive member of the Authority Board, to oversee this important work. Further details will be published on the Authority's website in due course.

I am copying this to the Minister for Universities and Science, Rt. Hon. David Willetts MP; to Professor Paul Boyle, Chief Executive of the Economic and Social Research Council; to Bernard Jenkin MP, Chair of the House of Commons Public Administration Select Committee; to the National Statistician, Jil Matheson; and to Professor David Hand.

Yours sincerely



Sir Andrew Dilnot CBE

¹ <http://www.esrc.ac.uk/collaboration/collaborative-research/adt/>