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Moving NISRA Market Sensitive Publications to a release time of 7am in line with exemption granted to ONS

Dear Ed

You will be aware of developments at the ONS in respect of their plans to publish Market Sensitive Releases at 7.00am.

Historically NISRA has co-ordinated the publications listed below with corresponding releases from the ONS and, if content, it would be our intention for that to continue.

Accordingly, I would be grateful if you could indicate your support for NISRA moving its release times for these publications to 7.00am in line with contingency arrangements being implemented by the ONS. I appreciate that this represents a departure from the requirements of the Code, but consider it prudent as the releases complement one another.

We will of course keep this interim arrangement under review, in conjunction with colleagues at the ONS and in the other devolved authorities, and involve you as appropriate in any further developments.

NISRA Publications that we propose to move to a 7.00am release

Labour Market Report (Monthly)

Quarterly Employment Survey

Yours sincerely,



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