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Dear Filippo,

Health and Sport Committee consideration of the Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill

Thank you for giving evidence to the Health and Sport Committee on 9 June 2020. The Committee appreciates your time and the information you provided.

The following resources are now available from the session:

- [The Official Report](#)
- [Broadcast recording of the session](#)

During the session there were some issues with the sound quality, so we would be grateful if you could check the Official Report from the meeting and come back to us if anything has been omitted or misrepresented from your evidence.

During the session, you spoke about statistics concerning percentages of male and female victims in response to a question on same sex victims. We would be grateful if you could send us further detail on this, as well as any detail on transgender victims.

At our meeting on 12 May, a representative from NHS Lanarkshire raised a question about whether an anonymous DNA database could/should be set up, reporting that this may be useful if the same DNA appeared four or five times, even if a crime has not been reported. You detailed that there are both ethical considerations against,

and interesting data considerations for, such a database. Would you be able to elaborate further on this?

On behalf of the Committee, I request a response by Thursday 18 June 2020 and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lewis Macdonald". The signature is written in a cursive style with a blue underline.

Lewis Macdonald
Convener, Health and Sport Committee