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Dear Presiding Officer

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

I am writing to you in your capacity as Chair of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body.

At its meeting yesterday, the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee considered the resolution of the Parliament agreed on 21 June 2017 on Scottish Government compliance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. We noted the call for an independent inquiry and for post legislative scrutiny of the Act. It is not clear from the resolution who should establish the inquiry.

The Committee agreed that I should write to the SPCB to seek its view on the terms of the resolution given its role in nominating the Scottish Information Commissioner for appointment, and oversight of the Commissioner's use of resources, strategic planning and reporting.

The Committee will consider the matter again after summer recess and I would therefore be grateful for a response in advance of our meeting on 7 September 2017.

Yours sincerely

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Convener

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