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Dear *Mr Allister*

YOUR COMPLAINT AGAINST MR GERRY KELLY MLA

Thank you for your letter of 24 June 2013 making a complaint that Mr Kelly has breached the Members' Code of Conduct.

I am satisfied that the complaint, when taken together with the statements made by Mr Kelly and the media coverage, meets the admissibility criteria set out in Direction 3.2 of the Assembly Members' (Independent Financial Review and Standards Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 (General Procedures) Direction 2012. Accordingly, I have commenced my investigation into its merits.

I understand that there may be police and/or Police Ombudsman investigations into events closely connected with the subject matter of the complaint. If that is the case it is likely that I will suspend my investigation pending the outcome of these other investigations.

I shall write to you again when the position becomes clearer.

Yours sincerely

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