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*Dear Mr Plummer*

Thank you for your emailed response, dated 29 March 2016, to my letter 10 March 2016.

Fortunately, your email arrived in time for it to be placed on the Agenda of the regular meeting of CNI Policy Discussion Group. The members of this group are experienced members of CNI and are drawn from a wide cross-section of the community – a background which, over the years, has produced many balanced and wise policy initiatives.

I have to express to you the feelings of disappointment which we all experienced on reading your emailed letter. The overwhelming view was that I had sought specific clarification of points (i), (ii) and (iii) in my letter and rather than clarify those points, you simply provided three web sites for me to research and find and interpret the information, correctly or incorrectly, myself.

It was resolved that, in the opinion of the CNI, your response is unhelpful and thus inappropriate and I should ask you to now clarify, without further delay, the points in my letter 10 March.

We look forward to a prompt reply, please.

*Sincerely*  
*Denis J Whitely*

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Executive Director