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Dea Steve,

I write in response to your letter dated the 19th July 2016 regarding the management of CCTV at borough level.

Historically within the Metropolitan Police Service, Borough Commanders have negotiated arrangements with their respective Local Authorities concerning the management of CCTV. Recognising that previously there has been very limited central oversight of this I have formed an MPS CCTV Working Group with representatives from across the MPS with a view to identifying the most effective and efficient CCTV corporate strategy

One of the initial actions from the working group was to conduct a review of the 32 borough CCTV arrangements. To date 18 of the 32 boroughs have responded with the remaining 14 due to be completed by 5<sup>th</sup> August. The initial findings indicate varying degrees of engagement, ranging from no joint working arrangements to shared control rooms with policing staff funded by the local authority.

A template has been designed for all Boroughs Commanders to adopt in future CCTV negotiations with their Local Authorities, to ensure a corporate approach is adopted in the future.

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