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Dear Marina,

## Transparency and accountability for the Territorial Support Group (TSG)

Thank you for your letter dated 21 July regarding the Territorial Support Group.

I appreciate the Committee's continuing interest in the work of the TSG and your desire to ensure Londoners have confidence in how it operates. I note that a number of the points raised in your letter are similar to those in your earlier correspondence following the 4 June Committee session. We provided a detailed reply to that letter on 22 July, which I hope you have now had a chance to review, as it addresses much of the information you have sought.

We are committed to being as open and helpful as possible. Ahead of the 4 June session, we arranged a pre-meeting for Committee staff to explore the work of the TSG in more detail. On the day, OCU Commander Colin Wingrove and I spent over three hours answering Members' questions and we have since provided additional material in response to follow-up requests. We are also pleased to be arranging a visit to our public order training facility at Gravesend so Members can see aspects of the TSG's work first-hand.

On the specific points raised:

- Role and position of the TSG I outlined the history, organisational position and role of the TSG at the start of the 4 June session. This is recorded in the published transcript.
- Complaints data As set out in our 22 July reply, complaints data is published at OCU/BCU level across all OCUs and BCUs.
- Community Reference Group As noted previously, whilst we do not publish
  membership details of reference groups, we are happy to consider making the Terms
  of Reference available, subject to discussion with the Community Reference Group.
- Community engagement activity Our 22 July reply also described the ongoing work to strengthen community engagement through BCUs and Neighbourhood Superintendents, including attendance at local meetings, Independent Advisory



Groups, Community Monitoring Groups and NMfL events, alongside post-deployment debriefs to gather feedback.

I hope this correspondence reassures you of our ongoing commitment to openness and collaboration.

We look forward to welcoming Committee Members to Gravesend in November.

Yours sincerely,

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