



# Treasury Committee

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*Dear Nick,*

Thank you for your letter of 9 January about the process for choosing Dr Mark Carney as the next Governor of the Bank of England.

There are a number of questions arising from your letter:

- Please give the dates on which (a) the Chancellor and (b) you spoke to Dr Carney in 2012.
- When did you devise the special process to allow central bank governors to apply at the same time as being interviewed? Was it prompted by the particular case of Dr Carney?
- Was this special process made public? If not, what steps did you take to make central bank governors, who might otherwise have been deterred from applying, aware of this special process?
- Was the process exclusively for central bank governors, or would you have used it for any other classes of applicant? Do you intend this to be the standard procedure for jobs advertised by the Treasury in future?

I would be grateful for your response by Monday 4 February. I will be placing this letter, and your reply, in the public domain.

*Yours ever,  
Andrew*

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