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**IMPLEMENTATION OF JUDGMENTS OF THE EUROPEAN COURT OF HUMAN
RIGHTS – VINTER V UK**

Thank you for your letter of 12 November about how the Government intends to respond to the *Vinter* judgment on whole life orders.

You ask what consideration the Government has given to various possible options for giving effect to the judgment. As you will be aware, the Government has six months from the date of the judgment before it is required to respond to the Council of Ministers with an action plan. The Government is taking this time to consider the implications of the judgment and will set out its conclusions as soon as it can.

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