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Dear Mr Lamb,

NMC Fitness to Practice visit

Congratulations on your re-election to Parliament and on your new position as XX to Nick Clegg.

You may recall from our pre-election correspondence that we had arranged for you, in your previous capacity as Liberal Democrat Shadow Health Spokesperson, to visit our offices at 61 Aldwych, London, XX.

The purpose of the visit was for you to witness first hand the purpose built premises for our Fitness to Practice operation, over which you had expressed an interest when we met to discuss the NMC investigation into professional practice at Gosport XX.

We had tentatively arranged for your visit for the morning of 15 June 2010, XX – XXam.

Now that you have a different brief within the Liberal Democratic Party, I write to ask if you would still like us to facilitate this visit?

We would be delighted at the opportunity to show explain, on-site, how some of these fit for purpose premises are contributing to significant improvements to the swift processing of fitness to practise complaints. Since 61 Aldwych opened in March 2009 the time it takes to process a complaint has been reduced from XX to XX months.

In addition we could take the opportunity to brief you on developments on other key areas of our policy work, such as the regulation of healthcare support workers and the need for EU language testing. Also, how we anticipate they have been affected by the change in government.

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You maybe pleased to here that we have now concluded the XX outstanding Gosport legacy cases. In April 2010, using precedent for these cases set by the criminal investigation, GMC and XX (NL letter), the NMC Investigations Committee (?) has resolved all XX cases, with XX XX off and XX XX.

My colleague Code A will be in touch with your office shortly to confirm whether you would still like to visit 61 Aldwych. In the meantime, all the best in your new role.

Yours sincerely

Professor Dickon Weir-Hughes
Chief Executive and Registrar

Code A