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Hi s 47F

Thanks for the update. That all sounds sensible - I agree lets invite them to the in camera meeting and start a little earlier at 12.45.

Well done

Darren
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From: s 47F
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Hi Darren

This morning I met with our two KPMG partners on the Audit and Assurance contract, s 47F and s 47F, and following are a few points from that meeting.

- The issues of integrity and confidentiality recently raised in the media relate to the external auditing arm of KPMG, which is separate to the Consulting side that Internal Audit services are delivered from.
- No-one associated with our contract has been involved.
- The AEC's information remains confidential, with all work being undertaken on the AEC network.
- All officers working on AEC contract maintain their security clearances.
- All auditors have maintained the integrity and confidentiality requirements under the contract and Global Internal Audit Standards.
- They will take this opportunity to reconfirm integrity and confidentiality requirements with the team.

As part of the Global Standards and under the contractual obligations, they will soon complete the annual declaration that confirms compliance with the Global Internal Audit Standards, which includes contractual obligations such as confidentiality, integrity and impartiality. These declarations form the basis of my declaration to the Audit Committee and Electoral Commissioner on adherence to the standards – which ensures trusted and relied on services.

If you are comfortable, I think there is benefit in inviting s 47F and s 47F to the committee only session. This would provide an opportunity for the Committee to raise questions directly with the Partners. At the Committee only session, we have the usual standing items of DEC Brief, COO Brief and CAE brief. We could either ask the DEC and COO to keep their briefings short, to allow sufficient time for me to brief the Committee and then have 10 to 15 mins with KPMG. Alternatively, pending availability, we could start the meeting at 12:45 instead of 1pm.

Give me a call if you'd like to discuss.

Kind regards

s 47F | **Chief Audit Executive**

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