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Dear Jenny,

**RE: The Equality and Social Justice Committee's entitled Report 'Pre-appointment hearing: National Adviser for Violence Against Women, Gender-based Violence, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence.'**

I would like to thank members of the Equality and Social Justice Committee for the scrutiny of my preferred candidate for the position of the National Adviser for Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (VAWDASV). This is an extremely important part of the process, and I am pleased you were able to endorse the preferred candidate, Johanna Robinson.

I have today written to Ms Robinson inviting her to formally serve as the National Adviser for Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2025.

Yours sincerely,

**Jane Hutt AS/MS**

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