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Mr Joe Griffin  
Permanent Secretary  
Scottish Ministers  
St Andrews House  
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By email:

4 March 2026

Dear Permanent Secretary,

**Meeting request regarding Hamilton Inquiry Cases**

I write seeking an early meeting with you to discuss Scottish Government's handling of Freedom of Information Requests relating to the 'Hamilton Inquiry' cases.

I would like to discuss a number of matters with you;

- 1) Scottish Government agreed to release information that was not being appealed in Decisions 279/2025 and 315/2025. I was advised that this information would be released as part of the delayed 281/2025 information release. We note however that more information has been redacted than was marked for redaction during our investigation. I would like to discuss the rationale for that.
- 2) I still await a response to my letter (attached of 02 February 2026) seeking clarity over compliance with Decision 193/2024.
- 3) The disjoint and chaotic nature of Scottish Government's responses are troubling and merit further investigation to ascertain whether I need to open a third intervention, this time at the Scottish Government's cost.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Hamilton'.

**David Hamilton**

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