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Hi [\[REDACTED\]](#)

Thanks for sending your draft response to [\[REDACTED\]](#)– as you can see below she asked me to pick it up as she is off today.

Please find attached your draft with some comments and suggestions in tracked changes from me. I have amended to limit the scope of the review to parts 3 and 4 as requested in the review response, and I've added in a clear conclusion. I have also suggested some changes setting out clearly what your conclusions are and why, and adding a little bit more on why the name of the official has been withheld under 38(1)(b).

More than happy to discuss, but if you are content with the suggestions I am content with the response for FOI Unit purposes.

Many thanks,

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Hi [\[REDACTED\]](#)

This is the review I mentioned in my earlier email. Can you make sure it is picked up on Monday in my absence.

Thanks

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Hi [REDACTED],

Hope you are well.

I am attaching a review response for [REDACTED] relating to his request that we review FOI 202400395463. Having considered the original response I agree that the correct exemptions have been applied in response to his questions.

Grateful for views before I check with SpAds on whether this needs Ministerial clearance. I don't think it will as the response aligns with their clearance of the original response.

Many thanks,

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