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Dear Lord Berkeley,

#### REVIEW OF DRIVING OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

Thank you for your letter of 26 January following up on your letter of 18 November regarding the review of driving offences and penalties. Please accept my sincere apologies for the delay replying to your letter of 18 November.

A review of driving offences has been ongoing since the summer of 2014 and, as I hope you will understand, the Secretary of State and I wanted to assess how best to take forward this work to make sure we have a consistent and proportionate legal framework for dealing with bad driving.

It is also important that driving offences are considered as part of the wider sentencing framework. Our intention is to commence a consultation about sentencing reforms before the end of the year and I expect driving offences to form part of this consultation.

As I hope you will appreciate, I do not want to pre-empt the outcome of this work by taking a specific view now on driving offences in isolation.

Yours sincerely  
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