

Rt Hon Jack Straw MP  
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Dear Mr Straw,

**2<sup>nd</sup> Stage consultation on prisoners' voting rights**

With reference to the above consultation, please would you advise how you are consulting directly with serving prisoners in accordance with the Seven Consultation Criteria contained in the Code of Practice on Consultation:

**Criterion 4: Accessibility of consultation exercises**

Consultation exercises should be designed to be accessible to, and clearly targeted at, those people the exercise is intended to reach.

I look forward to your response as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Julie Wright  
Deputy Chief Executive