<u>Press release: Secretary of State</u> <u>announces advice on MLA pay</u>

James Brokenshire has written to Trevor Reaney, requesting advice on MLA pay in the absence of an NI Executive and sitting Assembly.

The Secretary of State today announced that he has asked Trevor Reaney to provide him with advice on pay for Members of the Northern Ireland Assembly in the absence of an Executive and sitting Assembly. The Secretary of State was speaking during the Second Reading of the Northern Ireland Budget Bill.

Mr Reaney, a former Clerk and Chief Executive of the Northern Ireland Assembly and a current member of the National Assembly for Wales Remuneration Board, will provide this advice. The Secretary of State's letter sets out the scope of the requested advice.