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Dear Ms Griffin,

Thank you for your email sending the Regulation 28 Notice for the Prevention of Future Deaths in relation to Emiliano Sala. This was initially sent to Rt Hon Nadine Dorries MP's Parliamentary Mailbox. As this is separate to the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS), we were only made aware of the recommendation for the Department at the beginning of last month, hence the gap between the publication of the report and this response.

With regard to your recommendation, the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) is responsible for the regulation of aviation safety in the United Kingdom, and Ministerial responsibility lies with the Department for Transport (DfT). Therefore, it would not be appropriate for DCMS to conduct a review of aviation guidance. You will be aware that the DfT are currently reviewing the powers available to the CAA in investigating breaches of aviation regulations.

However, in light of your recommendation, we have discussed this case with the DfT and CAA to assess the most relevant guidance for those involved in sport and music. The CAA recommended their latest guidance alongside a <u>leaflet</u> with further information. We have shared these with the sports organisations your Regulation 28 report was sent to for dissemination to anyone who may be chartering a private flight, as well as Live music Industry Venues & Entertainment (LIVE), the Music Venues Trust (MVT), and the Musicians' Union.

In our view, this fulfils your recommendation to DCMS by ensuring the sport and music industries are fully aware of the measures they should be taking to ensure all flights are safe and legal.

Yours sincerely,

Head of Sport

