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Our ref:

Mr G Irvine Senior Coroner East London Coroner's Court Queens Road Walthamstow E17 8QP

By email:

30 January 2024

Dear Mr Irvine,

Thank you for the Regulation 28 report of 5<sup>th</sup> December 2024 sent to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care about the death of Mazeedat Opeyemi Adeoye. I am replying as the Minister with responsibility for adult social care.

Firstly, I would like to say how saddened I was to read of the circumstances of Mazeedat's tragic death and I offer my sincere condolences to their family and loved ones. The circumstances your report describes are very concerning and I am grateful to you for bringing these matters to my attention.

The report raises concerns over the local authority and child services team in the London Borough of Newham. The Department of Education (DfE) has oversight for child social care, and they are best placed to comment on the concerns raised. You may wish to reissue the report to DfE, so they are able to provide a formal response.

Thank you for bringing these concerns to my attention.

Yours sincerely,



MINISTER OF STATE FOR CARE