# HOUSE OF LORDS APPOINTMENTS COMMISSION MINUTES

## 11 February 2021 Video Conference

Attendees: Lord Bew, Baroness Browning, Lord Clark, Baroness Parminter, Lord Chartres, Fionnuala Jay-O'Boyle, HOLAC Secretariat and Press Officer

#### Apologies: none

#### **Political peerages**

- 1. The Commission undertook its vetting duties in relation to political peerage nominations.
- 2. The Commission noted a conflict of interest declared by a Commission member in relation to a nominee. The member recused themselves from the meeting and rejoined when the Commission's discussion of that nominee had concluded.

## Propriety

3. The Commission discussed its stance on probity and its understanding of the term 'propriety'.

## Letter to the Prime Minister

4. The Commission approved the contents of a letter to the Prime Minister.

## Any other business

- 5. The Secretariat informed the Commission that the two HOLAC nominees were likely to receive Her Majesty The Queen's formal approval imminently.
- 6. The Secretariat outlined likely forthcoming business for the coming year.

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