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The Rt Hon Alok Sharma MP
Secretary of State for Business,
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Dear Alok,

Thank you for your letter notifying me of your intentions to extend further Philip King as the interim Small Business Commissioner for 2 months until 31 March 2020. I note that a competition is currently underway and that this additional time will allow a substantive commissioner to be appointed in due course.

All best wishes for Christmas and the New Year

Yours sincerely,

Peter Riddell
Commissioner for Public Appointments