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Dear Mr Dennis,

Thank you for your letter of 14 March 2018 regarding the pension age that will apply to officers from the Civil Nuclear Constabulary (CNC) when they join the Civil Service pension arrangements. I apologise for the delay in replying.

Your letter set out that the senior leadership of the CNC, Civil Nuclear Police Authority and the Civil Nuclear Police Federation believe that CNC officers should maintain a pension age of 60 when they transfer into the Civil Service pension scheme. You provided a summary of the arguments that had been put to you on this issue.

You may be aware that the Government has previously considered similar issues for workforces such as the Ministry of Defence Police, whose core functions are comparable to those of the CNC. Nevertheless, the arguments that have been put forward merit further discussion and I will ask my officials to meet CNC representatives alongside HMT officials, if this would be helpful.

I am copying this letter to the Chief Secretary to the Treasury, as I am aware that you have also written to her in similar terms.

Yours sincerely,

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