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Dear Julie

Consultation on Draft Primary Legislation.

Proposal for a Draft Order in Council:

The Public Authorities Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 2007

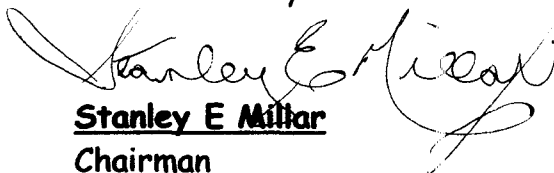
Thank you for your invitation to respond to the above Draft Legislation.

The following comments represent the unanimous views of the Disability Living Allowance Advisory Board (NI) when the consultation document was discussed at the March Board meeting -

It is understood that in addition to Primary Legislation to abolish the Disability Living Allowance Advisory Board (NI) further legislation will be brought forward to extend the remit of the Disability Living Allowance Advisory Board (GB) to include provision of advice to the Department for Social Development.

The ideal arrangement would be to have a seamless transition of functions from DLAAB (NI) to the expanded role of the GB Board. It is accordingly requested that the transfer of functions be considered as part of the process. This would ensure that the Department for Social Development will have a minimum break of continuity of advice from the DLAAB.

Yours sincerely


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Chairman