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READOUT | NI Secretary-FM/DFM, 10 December

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Hi all,

Actions and readout from yesterday's FM/dFM meeting below - with thanks to Marjyo for the briefing.

Actions:

Political affairs/Economy - SoS committed to share the list of funding commitments Julian made to NIE departments during talks last year, out of the £140m for NI's unique challenges. Grateful for your advice on sharing this with NIE ahead of next week's FM/dFM meeting.

Readout:

SoSNI, First Minister, deputy First Minister, Mark Larmour, Oliver Legard, Phillip Weir, Stephen McGlade

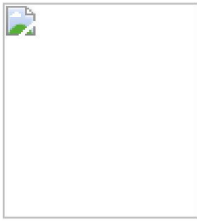
SoS began by asking what the Executive meeting that day had covered on **Covid**. The deputy First Minister said NI's numbers were not where they wanted them to be, and they were starting to think about what interventions will be required after 27 December. The First Minister said that people are tired of Covid restrictions, but that the Executive could hopefully keep people in a sensible position until the vaccine has an effect.

Mark Larmour asked whether the Executive saw an R rate of 1.6 versus 1.8 as a tipping point. The First Minister confirmed that they did, but also pointed to hospital admissions and ICU. There was a brief discussion of the first vaccine in NI and the Sky News suspensions.

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Thanks,

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