



**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION**  
**CHANGE IN RECOGNISED LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE**  
**MODULES 1, 2, 4, 7 and 8 - SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE HOME DEPARTMENT**  
**(“SSHD”)**

1. The Secretary of State for the Home Department (SSHD) is a Core Participant in Modules 1, 2, 4, 7 and 8 (being so designated on 7 September 2022, 13 October 2022, 7 December 2023, 17 May 2024 and 8 July 2024 respectively).
2. On 23 May 2024, I designated Alex Newell as the SSHD’s recognised legal representative in Modules 1, 2 and 4. I designated Alex Newell as the SSHD’s recognised legal representative in Modules 7 and 8 on 17 May 2024 and 8 July 2024 respectively.
3. On 1 October 2024, the Inquiry was informed that Christina Symington of the Government Legal Department would be replacing Alex Newell as the qualified lawyer appointed to act on the SSHD’s behalf in Modules 1, 2, 4, 7 and 8.
4. Accordingly, as I am satisfied that the SSHD has appointed Christina Symington as its qualified lawyer, I designate Christina Symington as its recognised legal representative in Modules 1, 2, 4, 7 and 8 in accordance with Rule 6(1) of the Inquiry Rules 2006.

**Rt Hon Baroness Heather Hallett DBE**

**Chair of the UK Covid-19 Inquiry**

**11 October 2024**