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Dear Len

**QUALITY REVIEW OF GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTS AND INDICATORS**

This review - the second under the Economy theme - is now complete and is being sent to you for formal approval before publication on the Website.

This was a standard review under the revised guidelines for the conduct of National Statistics Quality Reviews. The outcome was a mainly positive one, with the results confirmed as high standard and up with the best in the world in terms of their timeliness and detail. Within this there are some areas which need attention as set out in the report, but the main finding is that all the statistics within the scope of the review meet the requirements to be National Statistics.

The review has been undertaken by Andrew Mitchell working within my division. Andrew has worked in Statistics New Zealand and his experience from outside ONS helped him adopt a questioning and challenging approach to the review of these statistics. The review was operated as a project. I acted as project sponsor and chaired the project board which included representatives from HM Treasury, the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister and the Institute for Fiscal Studies - a key external user.

We will shortly be moving forward to prepare the action plan to implement the recommendations. I would be pleased to have any questions and comments.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Graham Jenkinson".

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