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To : Richard Laux/LONDON/ONS  
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Date Sent : 03/09/2014 09:16:23  
Subject : [RE: UKSA Assessment of Statistics on Recorded Crime in Scotland](#)

Hi Richard

Quick email to check if you're available next **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> (1-4 pm) or Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>** for a phone call catch up on assessment issues? Plenty to discuss from my perspective and would be good to check all is well with the process, relationships etc.

You should now have seen a first draft of our Action Plan – attached if not.

I'm also aiming to share a skeleton outline of an assurance framework with you, the assessment team and NSO before then – for discussion and feedback.

Hopefully speak next week

Nicola

Nicola Edge | Head of Justice Analytical Services | Scottish Government | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED]

**From:** Richard Laux [mailto:[REDACTED]]  
**Sent:** 12 August 2014 16:26  
**To:** Edge N (Nicola)  
**Subject:** Re: UKSA Assessment of Statistics on Recorded Crime in Scotland

Nicola:

Thanks for this very welcome approach.

In fact I'll be in Edinburgh on 29 August and it would seem sensible if we could meet, prior to fortnightly phone calls, if you're around that day. I have a meeting between 9 and 11, but am then free until say 3pm.

If this doesn't work for you then let's try to find a time to talk on the phone.

Richard.

Richard Laux  
Deputy Head of Assessment  
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From: [REDACTED]  
To: Richard Laux/LONDON/ONS@ONS  
Date: 12/08/2014 14:34  
Subject: UKSA Assessment of Statistics on Recorded Crime in Scotland

Richard

I am contacting you in relation to the on-going reassessment of Scottish recorded crime stats. As Head of Justice Analytical Services I view this work as of the greatest priority and am committed to working with you and your colleagues to address the issues raised in the July assessment report in the most positive and productive way.

My team is now working with stakeholders to swiftly push forward the work required to improve and demonstrate the quality of our statistics. I have tasked them to share their plans for, and outputs of, this activity with the UKSA assessment team on a frequent basis over the agreed time period so that we can all get a sense of where progress is being made.

I think it might be helpful if, in addition to these more detailed conversations, you and I could also establish a regular update discussion for over the coming months. I am aware of the concerns raised around effective co-operation and engagement around the assessment to date. I am determined that we take the most positive and productive approach to working with each other from this point forward. If we could perhaps touch base on both general progress but more particularly on any questions that may require a more strategic discussion that would be extremely helpful - perhaps a brief phone call on a fortnightly basis to keep in touch?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards  
Nicola

Nicola Edge | Head of Justice Analytical Services | Scottish Government | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED]

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