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Dear Ben,

Thank you for your letter outlining a change to your request for exceptional pre-release access to the Consumer Price Index for the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) for June 2019. This change has been requested as the MPC meeting is now Friday 14 June at 9am, instead of Monday 17 June at 9:30am. In line with the [previous correspondence](#) we exchanged in January and March this year, which outlined our agreement to provide exceptional pre-release access to the MPC, ONS agrees to provide the Consumer Price Index ahead of this rearranged meeting. This access is granted to ensure that actions and decisions in the public interest or discharging policy functions are done on the most up to date information available.

We will send the Consumer Price Index to the Governor 30 minutes prior to the start of the MPC meeting in question. This approach is consistent with previous practice where we have provided exceptional pre-release access to statistics for MPC meetings.

In accordance with the Pre-release Access to Official Statistics Order 2008, ONS has accepted a declaration from the Bank of England that lists the individuals who will or may have access to the statistics and outlines the requirement to maintain the confidentiality of the statistics.

Yours faithfully

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