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Dear Ms Ahmed,

Thank you for submitting the Domestic Homicide Review report for Tower Hamlets to the Home Office Quality Assurance (QA) Panel. The report was considered at the QA Panel meeting on 21 February 2017.

The QA Panel would like to thank you for conducting this review and for providing them with the final report. The Panel concluded this was a good report in which useful lessons have been identified, both local and national. The Panel, however, noted that there is considerable detail in the report and suggested that it may benefit from being made more concise by extracting the key facts relevant to the homicide. In addition, the review focuses largely on the perpetrator and the siblings and you may wish to consider rebalancing the report so that there is more narrative on the victim.

There were also some other aspects of the report which the Panel felt could benefit from further analysis or be revised, which you will wish to consider:

- The Panel felt it may be helpful to collate all the lessons learned under a single heading in the report;
- Further exploration of whether the victim was being financially exploited by her children;
- The action plan is incomplete and requires additional information such as outcomes and target dates;



- The Panel concluded the report may benefit from a more simple structure to enable the reader to more easily identify the good learning within the report;
- Please proof read the report for spelling and grammatical errors.

The Panel does not need to review another version of the report, but I would be grateful if you could include our letter as an appendix to the report. I would be grateful if you could email us at <a href="mailto:DHREnquiries@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk">DHREnquiries@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk</a> and provide us with the URL to the report when it is published.

The QA Panel felt it would be helpful to routinely sight Police and Crime Commissioners on DHRs in their local area. I am, accordingly, copying this letter to your PCC for information.

Yours sincerely

## **Christian Papaleontiou**

Chair of the Home Office DHR Quality Assurance Panel