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Dear Convener,

## Scotland's Redress Scheme

Following on from my letter to the Committee on 16 February 2023, I write to provide you with an update on the progress of Scotland's Redress Scheme before I leave office.

As of 28 February 2023, a total of 2118 applications for redress have been received. You will recall that during the evidence session on 12 January, I advised the Committee that we expected the throughput of applications being passed to Redress Scotland for determination to increase siginicantly in the coming months. I can confirm that in February 2023 93 applications were passed to Redress Scotland: in comparison to 47 and 46 in December 2022 and January 2023 respectively. Total redress payments made to applicants now exceeds £20 million.

I hope that this letter provides the Committee with assurance that Scotland's Redress Scheme continues to progress well. May I take this final opportunity to thank the Committee for your ongoing support of Scotland's Redress Scheme.

## JOHN SWINNEY

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