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Dear Simon

**PRE APPOINTMENT HEARING – PREFERRED CANDIDATE FOR WELSH REVENUE  
AUTHORITY (WRA) CHAIR**

Thank you for your report 'Pre Appointment Hearing – Preferred Candidate for Welsh Revenue Authority Chair'. I appreciated early sight prior to its publication and noted the contents of conclusion 2. I will make a formal announcement on the appointment shortly.

With reference to conclusion 1 of the report; section 5 of the Tax Collection and Management (Wales) Act 2016 states that a WRA non executive's period of office must not be more than 5 years, and may only be reappointed once. This allows a maximum possible term of 10 years. On this occasion, this post has been offered with a first term of 3 years, meaning the maximum possible term for this particular chair is 8 years. I will ensure that the terms and conditions are clear on this point.

I am happy to discuss the suggested improvements you mention and welcome any comments and feedback you and your members have on the hearing.

Yours sincerely

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