From: The Right Honourable Sir John Chadwick

Daniel Kawczynski MP House of Commons London SW1A 0AA 17 June 2009

Dear Mr Kawczynski

All Party Parliamentary Group for Equitable Life Policy Holders

Thank you for your letter of 11 June 2009. I understand that you have followed it up with a telephone call to my Office.

As you may be aware, I have recently issued my proposals as to the approach which I should adopt and the questions which I should address in carrying out the task for which I have been appointed. For convenience, a copy is enclosed with this letter. In this document I invite comment and representations on those proposals. I would welcome a response to my proposals from your Group by mid-July, including on any additional questions that you feel I should address within my terms of reference. Later this summer I will issue an interim report, which will take into account such further questions as are necessary within my Terms of Reference. At that time I would also invite further representations. If you would prefer to amplify these in person, please let me know.

Under these circumstances, it does not seem appropriate to speak to a meeting of your Group at this stage. In particular, I note from your letter that your Group has been formed for the purpose of 'calling the Government to account'. As I am sure you will appreciate, it is not for me to comment on policy decisions which the Government has taken in relation to Equitable Life.

Yours sincerely

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