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Dear Accounting Officer

ANNUAL THEFT AND FRAUD REPORT 2019-20

Purpose

1. The purpose of this DAO is to advise departments of the publication of the Annual Theft and Fraud Report for 2019-20.
2. Unfortunately the publication of the 2019-20 Report has been delayed due to the impact of the pandemic, but I am pleased to now be in a position to publish the Report.
3. The report includes cases of actual, attempted and suspected thefts and frauds reported by NI departments, their agencies and Arm's Length Bodies (ALBs). Its purpose is to provide an analysis of the cases reported in order to assist organisations identify risk areas and to help them detect and prevent such cases through established control mechanisms.

Action

4. Departments should draw the 2019-20 Report to the attention of staff in departments, agencies and ALBs. The report is available on the Accountability and Financial Management section of the DoF website under the Dear Accounting Officer letters and Anti-fraud guidance sections.
5. DAO (DoF) 05/20 (which announced the publication of the 2018-19 Annual Theft and Fraud Report) and FD (DoF) 07/20 (which commissioned the annual fraud return exercise for 2019-20 on which this report is based) are now withdrawn.

Queries

6. Any queries regarding this letter or report should be addressed to Fiona Doherty (Fiona.Doherty@finance-ni.gov.uk), telephone 028 90816774, ext. 76774.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stuart Stevenson', with a flourish at the end.

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