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Dear Minister,

RE: Open invitation to speak with NHS workers

I am writing on behalf of GMB union and our members in the NHS following the Westminster Hall debate on NHS pay this morning.

In your contribution to the debate, you said that in the many conversations you have had with NHS staff that pay is rarely mentioned as a concern. Now we represent thousands of workers who deliver NHS services and we would say that you've obviously not been speaking to those workers we hear from.

NHS workers are angry and feel let down by the Government's proposed 1% real terms pay cut. You said this morning that you are very keen to look at what support is needed for NHS workers, so to fill you in we thought it best that we get in touch and invite you and other Ministers in your Department to hear what NHS workers have to say on pay and what it's been like working through the last 12 months first hand.

We are more than happy to organise and happy to arrange around your diary if your office could let us know your availability.

We hope to hear back from you soon.

Yours sincerely,



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