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Dear Cabinet Secretary,

Re: Section 12 of the Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Act 2020 - Code of Practice on the use of biometric data for criminal justice and police purposes.

I am writing to submit the Code of Practice on the acquisition, retention, use and destruction of biometric data for criminal justice and police purposes in Scotland for your approval in accordance with section 12 of the Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Act 2020.

As you are aware, on 20 June 2022, Audrey Nicoll MSP, Convener of the Criminal Justice Committee, indicated via correspondence that the Committee was content for the draft Code of Practice to be brought into force in accordance with section 12 of the Scottish Biometric Commissioner Act 2020 (SBC Act). Having complied with the parliamentary scrutiny and procedural steps which apply to the Code of Practice under sections 7 - 11 of the SBC Act, I am now proceeding to submit the final version of the draft Code of Practice for your approval.

I look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,

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Annex: [Code](#) of Practice on the acquisition, retention, use and destruction of biometric data for criminal justice and police purposes in Scotland. (Link above)