WRITTEN MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Thursday 6 November 2014

MINISTRY OF JUSTICE

Contingencies Fund Advance to Ministry of Justice

The Minister of State for Civil Justice and Legal Policy (Lord Faulks QC):

My honourable friend the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Justice, Minister for the Courts and Legal Aid (Shailesh Vara) has made the following Written Ministerial Statement.

"The Ministry of Justice requires an advance of £900,000 from the Contingencies Fund in 2014-15 to meet the requirement for a temporary Exchequer grant in accordance with Article 11 of the Royal Charter on self-regulation of the press.

The department intends to rely on the Supply and Appropriation (Anticipation and Adjustments) Act. Accordingly, additional resources of £900,000 will be sought in a Supplementary Estimate for the Ministry of Justice. In the meantime, the temporary Exchequer grant will be met by repayable advances from the Contingencies Fund."