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Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service Email of 21 November 2013

Dear Stuart

After considering your letter COPFS do not intend responding to the issues raised in the petition to urge the Scottish Government to amend the law or codes of practice to make it compulsory for decision makers such as sheriffs, judges and juries at their courts, arbiters, and all panel members of tribunals that are convened and held in Scotland and governed by devolved legislation, custom and practice, to declare if they have ever been members of organisations, such as the Masons, that demand fraternal preference to their brethren over non-brethren, or organisations which have constitutions or aims that are biased against any particular sect, religion or race.

If the Committee requires anything further please do not hesitate to contact COPFS.

Kind regards.

Lindsay Hadden
PA to Crown Agent & Chief Executive