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Dame Julie Mellor, DBE  
The Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman  
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Dear Dame Julie,

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: APPOINTMENT OF QUALIFIED PERSON**

I am writing pursuant to the powers in section 36(5) and (6) of the Freedom of Information Act to appoint a 'qualified person' in relation to information held by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman.

I can confirm that the person holding the office of Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman and (effective from the date of this letter) the person holding the office of Senior Information Risk Officer at the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman are qualified persons for the purposes of section 36 of the Freedom of Information Act in relation to information held by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman.

Yours sincerely,

**FRANCIS MAUDE**