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**Re: Invitation to hearing, 25th February**

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To: mdoherty@mbhcoi.ie

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Dear Ms Doherty,

Thank you for the Commission's invitation to Adoption Rights Alliance and JFM Research to provide further submissions to the Commission. We would very much like to take up this opportunity but unfortunately it is too short notice for us to be able to do so on 25 February. Might it be possible to re-arrange for a slightly later date?

When responding, I would be grateful if you would clarify what the purpose of the hearing would be. From your letter, it seems to be an invitation to make submissions about the process and scope of the Inquiry but that seems inconsistent with the reference to any submissions being made on oath.

Assuming, the invitation is to make submissions, we wonder if the best way forward would be for us to prepare something in writing that we could then talk to, most likely by Counsel, at the hearing?

We would like to request that the hearing be held in public, as per section 11(a) of the Commissions of Investigation Act 2004. Could you please inform us of the Commission's procedures for such a public hearing?

Yours sincerely,

Claire McGettrick  
On behalf of Adoption Rights Alliance and JFM Research

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