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Dear Rachel

Certification Officer (CO) Annual Report 2016/17

I am writing on behalf of the Certification Officer, Gerard Walker, to let you know that the Certification Officer's annual report and accounts for 2016/17 is being published today. The Certification Officer regulates trade unions and employers associations.

I enclose a copy for information and have arranged for copies to be deposited with the House Libraries. An electronic copy has also been provided to them.

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