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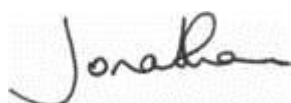
Dear Mr Field,

Thank you for your letter of 15 November regarding a tax avoidance scheme used by recruitment agencies. I have assumed this is in regard to self-incorporation.

We investigate all instances of suspected avoidance, and have robust compliance procedures in place to identify and take targeted action against any identified abuse – last year alone we secured over £26billion from all of our compliance activities – up from £18.6bn four years ago.

The Government has made more than 40 changes to the law to combat tax avoidance since 2010, closing loopholes and introducing major reforms to the UK tax system. We have also recently consulted on further tough, new sanctions aimed at the people who peddle and enable tax avoidance to ensure that those who aim to cheat the Public Revenue do not get away with it.

Yours sincerely,



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