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Dear Convener,

I write to inform you that, as per Section 99 of the Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Act 2021, which states:

'Before the end of the period of 2 months beginning with the last day of each reporting period, a relevant person must prepare and send to the Scottish Ministers a report on the actions which the person has taken during the reporting period to redress the historical abuse of children (a "redress report")'.

Section 99 also states:

'The Scottish Ministers must—

- a) collate the information from the redress reports sent to them under subsection (1) into a combined report for the year to which the reports relate, and
- b) publish the combined report.'

We have published the 2025 Annual Combined Report on 30 June 2025, which sets out the actions taken by contributors to Scotland's Redress Scheme to redress the historical abuse of children.

I have provided a link to the 2025 Combined Annual Report below:

Scotland's Redress Scheme – 2025 Combined Annual Report - gov.scot

We are grateful to the Committee and to Parliament for their continued support for Scotland's Redress Scheme.

I hope you find this update to be helpful.

Yours sincerely,

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