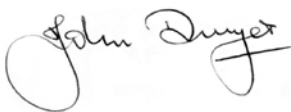


**HMIC INSPECTION OF THE STRATEGIC POLICING REQUIREMENT: AN INSPECTION OF
THE ARRANGEMENTS THAT POLICE FORCES HAVE IN PLACE TO MEET THE
STRATEGIC POLICING REQUIREMENT**

I refer to the report *The Strategic Policing Requirement: An Inspection of the Arrangements the Police Forces Have in Place to Meet the Strategic Policing Requirement* published by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary on 10 April 2014, reviewing the national response to the Government's Strategic Policing Requirements. I have considered this report and have discussed it with the Constabulary.

I note the concerns raised by HMIC, especially with regard to the need for the Chief Constable to introduce a collective leadership approach and re-establish their commitment to the National Policing Requirement, and the recommendations contained within the report with regard to the four themes of the SPR. I have established arrangements in Cheshire whereby my Deputy reviews regularly the Constabulary response in relation to the threats contained within the SPR. I also receive an annual assessment from the Chief Constable on the Constabulary's level of compliance with the SPR. The Constabulary's Strategic Threat and Risk Assessment is also reviewed on an annual basis and I consider it as part of the annual planning process. I remain committed to ensuring that the Constabulary has arrangements in place to response to the threats to national security and public safety identified in the SPR.



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