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*Dear Mr Haseldine,*

Thank you for your email of 6 November to the Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Kenny MacAskill MSP. You ask that Mr MacAskill contact the Maltese Government to pledge the Scottish Government's full cooperation with a UN inquiry into the Lockerbie disaster.

The Scottish Government's position in relation to a further inquiry was set out in Mr MacAskill's statement on 20 August, the relevant extract from which was included in our response to you of 5 November. That statement is in the public domain, and has received very wide coverage. We therefore do not see any need to draw it to the attention of the Maltese Government or others.

*Yours sincerely*  
*W. G. Burgess*

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