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Dear Paul

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The terrible scenes that were witnessed across parts of England, but primarily London where Police Officers put their lives on the line to restore order during the recent riots demonstrate once again the bravery and professionalism of your members.

Police Officers and indeed the Police Federation have acted with dignity even when provoked by ridiculous comments from commentators and politicians whom should know better.

Instead of point scoring Politicians of all parties surely must join together and force a complete re-think on budget cuts to the whole Criminal Justice System.

Putting that to one side Police Officers like Prison Officers do a magnificent job on behalf of the public. The POA recognise the difficult job that your members do and I send a message of support to you and your colleagues on behalf of the POA.

Yours sincerely

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