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INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY COMMITTEE

ISC TO REVIEW MI5 ACTION ON JULY BOMBERS

The Rt. Hon. Paul Murphy MP, Chairman of the Intelligence and Security Committee, today said:

“The Intelligence and Security Committee met this morning to discuss the Prime Minister’s request that we review the Security Service handling of intelligence about two of the 7 July bombers, in the light of what may have emerged as a result of the Crevice trial.

“The Committee has agreed to the Prime Minister’s request. Further details will follow in due course.”

Notes for Editors:

1. The Intelligence and Security Committee (ISC) is established under the Intelligence Services Act 1994 to examine the expenditure, administration and policy of the UK's three intelligence and security Agencies: the Security Service, the Secret Intelligence Service (SIS) and the Government Communications Headquarters (GCHQ). The ISC also takes evidence from Cabinet Ministers, the Permanent Secretary Intelligence Security & Resilience, and the Defence Intelligence Staff.

2. The Committee's membership is:
 - Rt. Hon. Paul Murphy, MP (Chairman)
 - Rt. Hon. Michael Ancram QC, MP
 - Rt. Hon. Alan Beith MP
 - Mr Ben Chapman MP
 - Rt. Hon. Lord Foulkes of Cumnock
 - Rt. Hon. George Howarth MP
 - Rt. Hon. Michael Mates MP
 - Mr Richard Ottaway MP
 - Ms Dari Taylor MP

3. Copies of the Committee's *Report into the London Terrorist Attacks on 7 July 2005* (Cm6785) can be purchased from TSO for £10.50. The Report can also be found on the ISC's website: <http://www.cabinet-office.gov.uk/intelligence>