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No.	Description	Date	Explanation of redactions	Clause
01	Qualification Reform – Core Brief – October 2024	01 October 2024	Information not in scope	[Redacted – information not in scope]

Enclosure 01 – Qualification Reform – Core Brief – October 2024

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The Scottish Government is committed to a programme of reform that is coherent, realistic, practical and deliverable.

- Qualifications development is a key function of the current qualifications body, and it will be a key function of Qualifications Scotland. Therefore, much of that work will be costed and funded as part of core operational activity that is already being undertaken by the SQA.

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RESOURCING/FINANCE FUNDING TO DELIVER?

- I am acutely aware of the pressure that public finances are under and the context in which the current system is operating.
- The actions set out by the Cabinet Secretary are proportionate, pragmatic and will rightly take time to come to fruition. We will now work with delivery partners to develop a fully costed programme that will take forward the commitments on qualifications reform.
- Ongoing qualifications development is of course a key function of the current qualifications body and will remain a key function of Qualifications Scotland. As such, much of this work will be costed and funded as part of core operational activity.
- All work will be scrutinised with an expectation of reprioritisation, efficiencies, with SG budgetary support to be assessed as part of these considerations.
- All reform work will be underpinned by our commitment to ongoing sustainable funding of an efficient education system.