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Dear Dr Plastow

I am writing to invite you to deliver the 23rd Jack Urquhart Memorial Lecture during our Annual Conference on Wednesday 21st May at Westerwood Hotel, Cumbernauld.

The 'Jack Urquhart Memorial Lecture' is held in honour of our past General Secretary. Jack was a Chief Superintendent with Strathclyde Police whose reputation and personality led him to play a key role both in Scottish Policing, and in the development of ASPS both as our President and as General Secretary following his retirement from the Service.

Jack sadly died in December 2002 whilst serving in the role, survived by his wife Dorothy and their three children. When Jack died, members of ASPS felt a great sense of loss and wanted to ensure that his legacy to Scottish Policing was marked. For that reason, members agreed to honour his memory by holding an Annual Lecture, in his name, during Annual Conference. Jack's wife, Dorothy, and the family usually attend the 'Lecture' and always enjoy listening to and meeting with our invited speaker.

I hope that your busy schedule will allow time for you to deliver this year's 'Jack Urquhart Memorial Lecture' and address the conference and our guests on a topic of your choice based on the conference theme which is: "Leading Beyond Reform: Policing Smarter, Not Harder?"

If you are able to accept, we will be pleased to offer accommodation at the Westerwood Hotel and assist with your travel arrangements.

If you would like to discuss the Lecture or any other matters, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Rob Hay
Chief Superintendent
President