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Ms Sandy Bolton
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Youth Justice Reform Select Committee
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Dear Ms Bolton

Thank you for inviting officers from the Department of Justice and Attorney-General (DJAG) to brief the Youth Justice Reform Select Committee (the Committee) on 5 December 2023 in respect of the Committee's inquiry into Youth Justice Reform in Queensland.

I was advised that during the briefing, officers from DJAG took one question on notice. Specifically, officers provided information about the number of child defendants sentenced in the Supreme and District Courts for unlawful use of a motor vehicle with one or more of the new aggravating circumstances outlined in section 408A of the *Criminal Code*, the operation of which commenced on 22 March 2023.

Information was provided during the briefing that three of these defendants were sentenced to detention. A follow up question was asked by the Committee about the length of detention for these three defendants and DJAG officers committed to providing the response on notice.

I can advise that two of these defendants were sentenced to 12 months of detention and one was sentenced to five months of detention.

Should you require further information, please contact Ms Eva Klambauer, A/Executive Director, Justice Reform Office, DJAG, on [REDACTED] or at [REDACTED]

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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Director-General