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Dear Mr. Bromwich:

The Department of Justice appreciates the cooperation with our investigation of the City of Phoenix and the Phoenix Police Department we have received from city and police department officials. The Special Litigation Section (SPL) team found the recent interviews with senior city and police department officials to be productive. In particular, the SPL team has appreciated the Chief's requests for feedback on his ideas for reform. We hope that he has found helpful the observations the team has shared.

As we continue to work diligently to complete our investigation, we want to acknowledge your letter of October 5, 2023, requesting an opportunity to review in advance of public release any findings report the Department may issue. As noted in our response to your similar request in October 2022, it is not our practice to provide such pre-release access to jurisdictions under investigation. In certain circumstances, we may decide to provide a short time for jurisdictions to read the findings report prior to public release – for example, where those jurisdictions commit to an agreement in principle to enter into a consent decree with an independent monitor. We do not plan to change our practices regarding any findings report that we may issue regarding the Phoenix investigation.

We do expect to maintain the open lines of communication with you and your client that have facilitated the investigation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kristen Clarke".

Kristen Clarke
Assistant Attorney General