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I am writing to confirm the current National Domestic Extremism & Disorder Intelligence Unit (NDEDIU) definition of Domestic Extremism that I outlined to you at the London Assembly Plenary Session on 5th March 2014. The current definition was revised as a result of the recommendation arising from the HMIC report published in June 2012. The new definition used by NDEDIU is:

“Domestic Extremism relates to the activity of groups or individuals who commit or plan serious criminal activity motivated by a political or ideological viewpoint”

This definition was agreed by the ACPO lead in October 2013 and the Home Office informed. The ACPO definition will also be amended to be the same as the NDEDIU definition and website updated accordingly. This definition addresses issues arising from your previous concerns and would not usually apply to low levels of civil disobedience such as civil trespass or minor obstruction.

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Sir Bernard Hogan-Howe
Commissioner