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Auditors letter of certification

We have audited the accounts of Mr Stephen Hughes, Member of the European Parliament for the North East region for the period from 14 July 2009 to 31 December 2009, and confirm that they comply with the rules on the use of allowances as set out in the "Implementing Measures for the Statute for Members of the European Parliament" governing the payment of expenses and allowances to a member, and the guidance note on the use of expenses adopted by the European Parliamentary Labour Party.

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