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Re: High Level of First Nations People in Custody and Oversight and Review of Deaths in Custody - Post-

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Dear Ms Dunn.

I wish to provide our response to the Question on Notice.

If the minimum age of criminal responsibility is raised to 14, children and young persons under the age of 14 who exhibit problematic or criminogenic behaviours should be referred to holistic, multi-disciplinary, culturally safe and evidence based programs.

Some current programs which could be expanded as needed, or used as a model for new programs, are:

- New Street Services, run by NSW Health.
- Youth on Track, run by the NSW Department of Communities and Justice.

Sincerely, Simon

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