

The Right Honourable

Michael Gove MP

Lord Chancellor & Secretary
of State for Justice

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Dear Peter

## 'INSIDE OUT' CHOIRS BEATING TIME - HMP BIRMINGHAM

I would like to congratulate you and your team, and ask that you please pass on my huge thanks to all members of 'Inside Out'. I know my colleagues Pamela and Rosie enjoyed singing with the choir on their recent visit and I was delighted to see and hear the talents of Pete Churchill and his singers myself. I appreciate the logistical challenges and efforts that went into this special recording of carols, which made a big and festive contribution to our Christmas celebrations here in the Ministry of Justice.

Once again I was reminded of all the dedicated people working in our justice system to make prison places of hard work, purposeful activity and high ambition and with an unremitting emphasis on rehabilitation and redemption.

Thank you for lighting up all our weeks and providing festive Christmas cheer.

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