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Dear Ms Greenwood,

Thank you for your letter of 24 January about the Prime Minister's remarks regarding Universal Credit during Prime Minister's Questions on 22 January. You asked the UK Statistics Authority to investigate the claim that "Universal Credit has in fact succeeded in getting 200,000 people into jobs".

As you say, the 200,000 figure represents the Department for Work and Pensions' estimate of the predicted impact on employment once Universal Credit is fully rolled out rather than the effect so far.

I am copying this letter to the Prime Minister.

Yours sincerely,



Sir David Norgrove