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Dear [REDACTED],

Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990  
Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest

FORMER ROBINSON BUILDING, 1, REDCLIFF STREET, BRISTOL

I am writing further to our previous correspondence about the application to list the above building.

The Secretary of State, after consulting English Heritage, the Government's statutory adviser, has decided that the former Robinson Building, 1 Redcliff Street, Bristol is not recommended for designation for the following principal reasons:

- \* Although a fairly early commercial high-rise office building, and an early open-plan, air-conditioned block, it lacks sufficient special architectural interest
- \* The exterior lacks finesse, and is repetitive
- \* There are no internal features of note

If you consider that the decision has been wrongly made you may write to the Department for Culture, Media and Sport within 28 days of the date of this letter to request that the Secretary of State review the decision. An example of a decision made wrongly would be where there was a factual error or an irregularity in the process which affected the outcome. You may also ask the Secretary of State to review the decision if you have any significant evidence relating to the special architectural or historic interest of the building which was not previously considered. Further details of the review criteria and process are contained in the annex to this letter.

I have enclosed a copy of our Adviser's Report for your information.

Yours sincerely



Territory Co-ordinator, West

Data Protection Act 1998

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## **Annex: Review Criteria and Process**

A review will only be carried out in the following circumstances:

(1) there is evidence that the original decision has been made wrongly. Examples would include:

- where there was a factual error, eg. the wrong building was listed; or
- where there has been some irregularity in the process which has affected the outcome, eg. relevant considerations were not taken into account or irrelevant considerations were taken into account.

(2) there is significant evidence which was not previously considered, relating to the special architectural or historic interest of the building, as set out in the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990. An example would be where new evidence relating to the date of a building has been discovered which might make a material difference to the architectural or historic interest of the building.

Having conducted a review, the Secretary of State will either affirm or overturn the original decision. It is important to understand that the original decision will stand until the Secretary of State has made a decision on whether the original decision should be affirmed or overturned. If the original decision is overturned, this will not have retrospective effect.

Review requests which are received after 28 days from the date of this letter may be considered in exceptional circumstances.

The address for the Department for Culture, Media and Sport is 2-4 Cockspur Street, London SW1Y 5DH.