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Hi [REDACTED]

Hope you are well?

We've recently read your story titled [Call to ban gambling sponsors from UK sport as hidden harms are revealed](#)

I appreciate the effort put into discussing the topic, but it is vital that as a regulator our statistics are not misrepresented. This is why we [published guidance on how this data can be interpreted](#) and highlighted this guidance in [our press release](#).

Your copy features an example of misrepresentation of our statistics.

The third par states:

The report produced by the National Centre for Social Research and the University of Glasgow found that [2.5% of British adults may have struggled with problem gambling](#), eight times higher than previously thought.

Our guidance states GSGB should not be used to provide direct comparisons with results from prior gambling or health surveys for methodological reasons.

Please may we request a correction as I'm sure you appreciate how important it is that only scientifically sound information informs the public debate on gambling in society.

Best regards,

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