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BBC Radio 4 *File on 4* leaked letter about HSE proposal to cut safety checks

Sir,

I was concerned to hear reported that the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) was considering reducing the number of unannounced workplace inspections by a third.

Although the number of major injuries in the workplace has fallen in this country recently, there is absolutely no room for complacency.

In the current economic climate employers may well feel the need to cut corners and their staff could bear the brunt of such cuts. Who else other than the HSE is going to protect them?

Yours sincerely,

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