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Statement on the publication of Professor Fenn's report on the success of the portal

APIL chief executive Deborah Evans said: "It's appalling that we've had to wait a year for this report to be published, as it includes very important information.

"It's a great disappointment that it shows that damages have fallen in cases which have gone through the portal, as the intention of the streamlined process was to keep injured people's damages at the same level.

"As the report shows that the vast majority of cases in the portal are below a value of £3,500, we question why the Government sees sense in extending the process to even higher value cases.

"In light of Professor Fenn's recommendation for a further review of the current scheme, the Government must now stop and think rather than extend the portal in haste."