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Dear Sir/Madam

**NATIONAL PARKS AND ACCESS TO THE COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1949
SOUTH DOWNS NATIONAL PARK (DESIGNATION) ORDER 2002
(as varied by the South Downs National Park Designation (Variation) Order 2004)**

Following our recent consultation on the proposed inclusion of 6 additional areas relating to the South Downs National Park (Designation) Order 2002 I am writing to inform you that the Secretary of State has decided to hold a Hearing of Objections/representations relating to the 6 additional areas. We also understand that there may have been some confusion over the Inspector's intentions regarding Green Ridge, and a mistake in respect of an objection concerning Gote Farm. As such, the Hearing will also hear representations on those matters. Please note that no other objections/representations will be considered by the Inspector.

Arrangements are being made for Mr Robert Neil Parry, BA DipTP MRTPI, to open the Hearing at 10am on Tuesday 18th August 2009 at The Chatsworth Hotel, Steyne, Worthing, West Sussex, BN11 3DU. The hearing is expected to last one, or possibly two, days.

If you wish to appear at the Hearing please contact the Programme Officer, Barbara Bay by 28TH July 2009. Her contact details are:

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Whether or not you choose to appear, I can assure you that your written representations, as submitted, will be taken into account by the Inspector in his report to the Secretary of State.

Yours sincerely,



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Gunningham', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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