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Dear David

Thank you once again for giving evidence to the House of Lords EU Select Committee on 11 July. You will already have received the uncorrected transcript, and we would be grateful for any corrections.

We were grateful for your restatement of the Government's commitment to reporting back to Parliament as soon as possible after each round of negotiations. We see no reason why such reporting should be interrupted by parliamentary recesses, and I would like therefore formally to invite you to appear before the Committee at 2 pm on Wednesday 9 August, to give you an opportunity to report on the second round of negotiations.

If you are unable to attend, we would be happy to hear from a ministerial colleague, or from either Olly Robbins or Sir Tim Barrow.

In a similar vein, we plan also to review the third round of negotiations at our scheduled meeting at 4 pm on Tuesday 12 September; and to review the fourth round in the week beginning 2 October, at a date and time to be confirmed. I would like formally to invite you to appear on those occasions, and your officials may wish to liaise with the committee clerks on the detailed arrangements.

You also offered to follow up with the Committee on the following points:

- Q6: You offered to write regarding the possibility that parliamentarians could be allowed access to sensitive documents in a reading room arrangement, in particular in stage 2 of the negotiations.
- Q12: You offered to write to the Committee on the number of women in the UK government negotiating team.

We should be grateful for a response by 28 July 2017.

Yours ever

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On behalf of Lord Boswell of Aynho