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Dear Commissioner,

I am extremely concerned by the apparent leak of confidential communications from the UK Ambassador to the US. This is the most recent example of what I fear is becoming a culture of leaks: such leaks are damaging to the UK’s reputation, impact on the government’s ability to function and undermine our relationships with our closest allies.

This appears to be a serious criminal act and as such I am writing to ask you to confirm that you will be opening an investigation into the leak. I would be grateful if you would further confirm that you will be directing all necessary resources to undertake that investigation as a priority?

I am also writing to the Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary and I attach copies of that correspondence.

We will be placing this letter and your response in the public domain.

TOM TUGENDHAT MP
Chair