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Dear Dr Francis,

Thank you for your two letters to me dated 12 January. I am committed to proper scrutiny and examination of policy and the decision-making process.

As regards the CT review, the Home Secretary is expected to announce the outcome very shortly though the exact date has not yet been finally fixed. You may rely on my willingness to give evidence on the outcome as soon as practicable after the announcement. I suggest that the Committee staff and my office be in touch as soon as the date for the announcement is firm.

Your other letter of 12 January dealt with Intercept as Evidence. The original offer by officials for an informal briefing was made to the Chair of the previous committee. I am, of course, keen for officials to do this and will ensure this also happens as soon as possible. I suggest that the Committee Clerk contacts Hannah Sassa in the Parliamentary Team on 020 7035 8842 on this.

Yours ever
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