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Dear Hywel

Thank you for your letter of 10 September about the package of counter-terrorism measures announced by the Prime Minister in his statement to the House of Commons on 1 September.

As the Prime Minister indicated, the Government is looking to bring forward legislation on a number of issues to deal with the increased terrorist threat. This includes powers to disrupt suspects travelling overseas to fight for a terrorist organisation and to manage their return to the UK. The Government is committed to cross-party consultation on the measures and we will, of course, be keen to engage with your Committee on the content.

We are developing the specific policies announced by the Prime Minister at present and are, therefore, not yet at the stage where I am able to provide further detail. I can reassure you that the Government is working with international partners in order to ensure that any proposals in this area are consistent with our international obligations.

We intend to bring forward the legislation by the end of November at the latest and your Committee will be provided with the usual detailed memorandum in order to scrutinise the measures at that point.

Yours ever

The Rt Hon Theresa May MP