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Thank you for your letter of 6 November. We welcome that you look forward to considering our reports' conclusions and recommendations when we publish them in the coming weeks.

We remain of the view that there are significant political questions to address, and for which we do not believe officials should be asked to account. We respect the impartial administration of the tax system, but given that you are departmental minister for HM Revenue and Customs, we consider you best placed to help us with our work.

The Economic Affairs Committee has agreed to follow up on the work of the Sub-Committee in the new year and to pursue the implementation of its recommendations.

As such, the Committee invites you to give evidence at **3.35pm on Tuesday 15 January**. Please let the Clerk to the Committee know if this date presents any particular difficulties for your diary.

The Rt Hon. the Lord Forsyth of Drumlean  
Chairman of the Economic Affairs Committee