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Dear Sir Alan,

**OTNYR - Council Decision (CFSP) 2018/1544 of 15 October 2018 concerning restrictive measures against the proliferation and use of chemical weapons**

**OTNYR - Council Regulation (EU) 2018/1542 of 15 October 2018 concerning restrictive measures against the proliferation and use of chemical weapons**

Thank you for your follow-up letter of 18 December 2018 regarding the above documents. This was considered by the External Affairs Sub-Committee on 10 January 2019.

We are now content to release this item from scrutiny. You do not need to reply to this letter.

I am copying this letter to Sir William Cash, Chair of the House of Commons European Scrutiny Committee; Jessica Mulley, Clerk of the House of Commons European Scrutiny Committee; Les Saunders, at the Department for Exiting the EU; Adam Nutley, FCO Departmental Scrutiny Co-ordinators; Nicole Mason, FCO Parliamentary Adviser; and Lynne Smith, FCO Select Committee Liaison Officer.

*Yours sincerely,*

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