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Dear Joanna,

Thank you for the invitation from your committee to give evidence on the Government's Illegal Migration Bill in April.

Unfortunately, I am unable to accept this invitation on this occasion owing to an exceptionally full diary.

The Illegal Migration Bill has recently completed its Committee Stage in the House of Commons and will return for Report Stage and Third Reading after Easter Recess. That being so, there is considerable opportunity for Parliamentary scrutiny of the Bill. I will, of course, consider carefully the Committee's report on the Bill and respond fully in due course.

Furthermore, I will be giving evidence to the Home Affairs Select Committee on 14th June.

Yours sincerely,

Rt Hon Suella Braverman KC MP