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From: Sir William Cash MP

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Dear Kemi

I wrote to you on 24 February, inviting you to appear before the Committee to give evidence on the Government's Brexit opportunities work and retained EU law. Before I wrote to you, my secretariat had been in contact with your officials to arrange for your appearance on 1 March (a date that your predecessor, Rt Hon. Grant Shapps MP, had committed to). Six weeks have passed since this initial, informal, approach was made.

I understand that we still do not have a date for your appearance. The Committee is becoming increasingly concerned at the length of this delay. I kindly ask, that as a matter of urgency, you commit to either of the two dates put to your officials on 10 March: the morning or afternoon of 19 or 26 April.

Regards

CHAIR