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Dear Clive

Thank you for your most recent letter regarding the Renters (Reform) Bill and our forthcoming response to your committee's excellent inquiry report. The Secretary of State has asked me to reply on his behalf.

I am sorry that we haven't yet been able to provide you with our full response and recognise that this will have been frustrating for you and your colleagues. We are keen to make sure that anything we publish reflects the very latest position, but are also committed to making sure you have our response ahead of second reading to allow you to fully scrutinise our proposals.

In the meantime, I'm looking forward to meeting with you on Wednesday to discuss damp and mould. I have asked my officials to make sure there is time on the agenda to discuss the additional points you have raised on the scope of the Bill and court processes and provide an update on Bill progress.

Yours sincerely,

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