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Dear Secretary of State,

I write to congratulate you on your recent appointment as Secretary of State for Business and Trade. The International Agreements Committee looks forward to working constructively with you in your new role and we would like to offer our assistance to you regarding your Department's work.

I would like to invite you to appear before our Committee as it would be helpful for us to discuss the priorities for your Department in relation to international trade policy and free trade agreements. Our Committee particularly welcomes your commitment to publish a trade strategy, and would be interested to hear more about this work and the timeline for its publication.

Our Committee meets on Tuesday afternoons from 4.00-6.00pm. I would be grateful if your officials could suggest any available dates to appear before the Committee at your earliest convenience following the conference recess.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course. Our Committee Clerk Rhiannon Williams may be contacted on 02072 194585 or williamsrb@parliament.uk

Yours sincerely,

The Rt Hon. the Lord Goldsmith KC

Chair of the House of Lords International Agreements Committee