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Dear Chi,

### **The UK's 2035 Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) Information to facilitate Clarity, Transparency and Understanding (ICTU)**

I am writing to you to inform you that the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero has today submitted to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) the information to facilitate clarity, transparency and understanding (ICTU) of the UK's 2035 Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) – to aid interpretation of the headline emissions reduction target.

Under the Paris Agreement, all Parties are required to communicate their NDCs to the UNFCCC every 5 years, nine to twelve months prior to the relevant COP. NDCs covering the period 2031 to 2035 are due by 10 February 2025, ahead of COP30 in Brazil.

The Prime Minister [announced](#) on 12 November 2024 at COP29, three months ahead of the deadline, the UK's 2035 NDC target to reduce all greenhouse gas emissions by at least 81% by 2035, compared to 1990 levels, excluding emissions from international aviation and shipping. The 2035 NDC is based on [advice](#) from the independent Climate Change Committee. It is a clear progression on the UK's previous NDC pledging to reduce emissions by at least 68% by 2030 – which remains in place. It is informed by the outcomes of the Global Stocktake from COP28 and is aligned with limiting global warming to 1.5 °C. It is also aligned with the level of ambition in Carbon Budget 6 (2033-37) on the pathway to net zero by 2050.

Today, the UK has [submitted](#) to the UNFCCC the information to facilitate clarity, transparency and understanding of the 2035 NDC. The ICTU contains information about the scope, timing, sectors and greenhouse gases covered by the target, as well as some high-level information on policies and measures involved in delivering the NDC. It also includes information on how the NDC was created, how the NDC is considered fair and ambitious and informed by the aims of the Paris Agreement, the Convention, and the outcomes of the Global Stocktake.

Making Britain a clean energy superpower is one of the five national missions of this government. We will deliver an updated cross-economy plan to meet our climate targets in due course, with full detail of policy packages for all sectors. This will outline the policies and proposals needed to deliver carbon budgets 4-6 and the 2030 and 2035 NDCs on the pathway to net zero by 2050.

The UK's early and ambitious NDC will help restore our global climate leadership and encourage greater ambition from other countries. It is one important part of the UK's overall contribution to global emissions reductions, alongside our International Climate Finance and other support.

Yours ever,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ed Miliband', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**RT HON ED MILIBAND MP**  
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