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From the Chair of the Joint Committee on Human Rights

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Minister of State, Minister for Security

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Dear Minister,

Thank you for your letter to the Joint Committee on Human Rights, dated 22 December 2025, in which you answered three outstanding questions from the Committee on proscription under the Terrorism Act 2000.

Our third question concerned the sharing of intelligence regarding the proscription of Palestine Action with the Intelligence and Security Committee. We had understood that the ISC had not received the intelligence assessment behind the proscription of Palestine Action prior to Parliament being asked to approve the Terrorism Act 2000 (Proscribed Organisations) (Amendment) Order 2025. Your answer stated that “following the decision to proscribe Palestine Action, [you] can confirm that briefings have been provided to the ISC at its request”. We were unsure of precisely what this meant and would appreciate clarification. Could you, therefore, please confirm when these briefings were provided to the ISC? In particular, were they provided before or after the decision to proscribe Palestine Action was made by the Home Secretary? If after, were they provided before or after Parliament voted on the Terrorism Act 2000 (Proscribed Organisations) (Amendment) Order 2025?

We would be grateful for a response by 13 February 2025.

Many thanks,

Lord Alton of Liverpool

Chair, Joint Committee on Human Rights