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By Email Only

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Dear Dame Karen,

UK National Threat Level

I am writing to inform you that, as part of your role as Chair of the Home Affairs Select Committee, following the vile attack in Golders Green yesterday (29 April), the Joint Terrorism Analysis Centre (JTAC) has today completed a review and raised the threat level to the UK from terrorism from SUBSTANTIAL to SEVERE, meaning an attack is highly likely.

JTAC's assessment has been made independently and considers all relevant intelligence and information to provide an agreed assessment of the threat from terrorism.

The increase in threat comes following yesterday's stabbing in Golders Green and is driven by individuals or small groups in the UK who aim to advance Islamist or Extreme Right-Wing ideologies using serious violence.

Terrorism continues to present one of the most direct, enduring and immediate risks to our national security. The UK Government, working closely with yourself, the Police and the Security Services, will continue to work tirelessly to address the threat posed by terrorism in all its forms, and to protect the public and our Jewish and faith communities. Our collective response is underpinned by strong collaboration across the UK, and I am grateful for the ongoing engagement at all levels that ensures a robust, coordinated and joined-up approach to counter the terrorist threat and keep our public safe.

The announcement will be made public shortly and either the Home Secretary or I will update the Houses of Parliament in due course on its return, setting out the actions already underway through this Government to tackle the terrorist threat.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Dan Jarvis', with a horizontal line underneath.

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