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I am writing to follow up on the evidence I gave to your Committee on 27 May. I would like to thank the Committee for the opportunity to update you on the progress of the COVID-status certification review and for your incisive questions.

I committed to sharing additional information with the Committee, including the Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA). I have shared this with you as Chair of the Committee in confidence, and request that this is not published online. DPIAs are internal assessments, which are routinely iterated and therefore not made public. NHSX has published a Privacy Notice on COVID-status certification, which is available online:

<https://covid-status.service.nhsx.nhs.uk/help/privacy-notice/>

As you know, the policy decision-making process on certification is very much live, and we have committed to setting out the outcomes of the COVID-status certification review ahead of Step 4 of the Roadmap.

I would like to suggest that I provide the Committee with other relevant documentation after we have completed the certification review, so that you can consider the review in the round and the way in which we have reached our conclusions.

**With every good wish,**

**Rt Hon Michael Gove MP  
Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster  
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