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Dear Kwasi,

Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project: AQUIND

I have recently received correspondence from our colleague Stephen Morgan MP, updating the Committee on developments with AQUIND. He has raised a number of concerns with us and as a result the Committee would like to know:

- Why has the decision on AQUIND been delayed until October and what stage is the process currently at?
- What actions has the Government taken or what actions will be taken on this matter?

Mr Morgan's letter to us says that a series of freedom of information requests has revealed that there have been "substantial financial donations to current and former BEIS Ministers directly involved in whether the project goes ahead":

- What due diligence is taken by your Department with Ministerial commercial interests?

We look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,

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