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Dear Stephen,

Thank you for your further correspondence dated 15<sup>th</sup> December regarding the publication of research on health and disability benefits.

As I have written to the Committee before and re-stated at the Committee hearing last month, my Department is currently considering a range of policy options, drawing on wide evidence, research and analysis, and protecting a private space for policy development is important. I have no intention to publish this research at present.

Yours sincerely,