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Dear Chair,

I am writing to clarify a statistic that I quoted in today's Home Affairs Select Committee session.

When answering questions on Afghanistan resettlement and asylum accommodation, I stated that £1.2m per day is spent on hotel accommodation. I want to clarify that this is a sub-set of the total cost currently incurred by the Home Office in procuring hotel accommodation for both resettled persons from Afghanistan and other groups housed in hotels. The total cost is £4.7m per day.

I apologise for any confusion this may have caused.

Yours sincerely,

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