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By email

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Dear Sarah,

Thank you for inviting me to give evidence to the International Development Select Committee's evidence session on examining the impact of worldwide aid cuts on the future of global health, alongside Baroness Chapman.

You asked about the period covered by the Government's announcement in last year's autumn budget to commit £460 million to pandemic preparedness, and I said I would write to confirm this.

This funding allocation was for the current financial year (2025/2026). It aims to address the risk posed by future health emergencies and implement the lessons learnt from the Covid-19 pandemic by replenishing personal protection equipment (PPE), vaccine and medicines stockpiles, and investing in critical health protection infrastructure, such as high-containment laboratories.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely,

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