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From the Private Secretary

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JOINT DECLARATION: PARLIAMENTARY STATEMENT

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I attach a draft of the Prime Minister's statement in the House this afternoon. I should be grateful for any comments no later than 12.30 today.

I am copying this letter and attachment to Joan Bailey (Office of the Lord Privy Seal), John Sawers (Foreign and Commonwealth Office), Jeremy Heywood (HM Treasury), John Pitt-Brooke (Ministry of Defence), Joan MacNaughton (Home Office), Stuart Moore (Office of the Solicitor General) and to Melanie Leech (Cabinet Office).

yours pron, Roden Lynn

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