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The UK Government and the Brexit Negotiations

Thank you for contacting me about the UK's withdrawal from the EU.

The British people voted in a free and fair referendum to leave the EU. Turnout was larger than at any election since 1992 and no Prime Minister or party in British history has ever received as many votes as the proposal to leave the EU. The UK's withdrawal will be delivered in the national interest and the country will regain its sovereignty in full.

Article 50 has been invoked and the Prime Minister has been clear that there must be no attempts to remain inside the EU, no attempts to rejoin it through the back door and no second referendum. The country voted to leave the European Union and it is the duty of the Government to make sure that this happens.

The Prime Minister has said that she is certain that a positive withdrawal agreement can be reached with the EU. A good deal for Britain and a good deal for Europe are not competing alternatives and they are not mutually exclusive. I do not want or expect an outcome with no deal but the Government is preparing for all eventualities as a responsible government ought to do.

Of course, the negotiation process will not be brief or straightforward. It is going to require significant expertise and a consistent approach. I am confident that there is no one better able than Theresa May as our Prime Minister to provide the strong leadership required to form a new partnership with the European Union and build a more global Britain.

Thank you again for taking the time to contact me.

Kind regards,

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