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Extension of the Right to Buy to Housing Association Tenants

Thank you for contacting me about the extension of the Right to Buy scheme to housing association tenants.

An agreement has been secured with housing associations and the National Housing Federation to extend the Right to Buy to their tenants. The voluntary Right to Buy could give up to 1.3 million families the chance to become home owners. Once a tenant has purchased their home under the Right to Buy it is their home. Receipts from selling current property will help build an additional house on a one-for-one basis.

Following a smaller pilot scheme, a larger Right to Buy pilot scheme was announced in the Autumn Statement 2016. I was encouraged by the confirmation in this year's Autumn Budget of a £200 million large-scale regional pilot of the Right to Buy for housing association tenants in the Midlands. I look forward to further details being released in due course.

Thank you again for taking the time to contact me.

Kind regards,

Craig Whittaker MP