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Dear Elliot,

Thank you for your letter of 5 June to the Home Secretary regarding the horrific death of George Floyd in the United States and our work to tackle racism here in the UK. I am replying as the Minister of State for Countering Extremism.

I want to firstly express my gratitude for you taking the time to write to me on this important matter. I stand absolutely firm on our commitment made in the Conservative Manifesto 2019 to tackle racism. This means unleashing potential and increasing opportunity for all.

I welcome the resumption of the Home Affairs Committee's Inquiry on the progress made against the ground-breaking Macpherson report recommendations, published 21 years ago. The Home Office remains committed to working with policing to broaden representation and enhance accountability to help the police make their relationships with the communities they serve even stronger.

Tackling racially motivated hate crime remains a priority for this Government. We are supporting a range of projects to tackle racism, including Show Racism the Red Card and the Anne Frank Trust, organisations who work with young people across the country to challenge prejudice and discrimination. Our government will continue to work with civil society partners to ensure communities are heard and confident to live without fear of threat or violence due to their race.

I hope this reassures you on the Government's position on the topics you have raised.

Baroness Williams of Trafford