



**HOUSE OF COMMONS**  
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*Jew Constituent,*

**RE: 'CONFIDENCE AND SUPPLY AGREEMENT' WITH DUP.**

Thank you for your recent correspondence in respect of your concerns about the 'Confidence and Supply Agreement' between the Conservative Party and the Democratic Unionist Party (DUP).

At this crucial time, the Prime Minister will form a Government that will work in the interest of the whole United Kingdom and give us the certainty we require as we embark on our departure from the European Union, and help us build a stronger and fairer society at home. With the most seats, and most votes, only the Conservative and Unionist Party have the ability and legitimacy to do that.

The 'Confidence and Supply Agreement' between the Conservative Party and the DUP, means that the DUP will support the Government on key votes on the Queen's Speech, the Budget and legislation relating to our EU 'exit' and national security. Trying to secure such an agreement is also not unprecedented – indeed, it should be noted that Labour tried to do so after both the 2010 and 2015 General Elections.

Moving forward, the Government is determined to deliver for the whole of the United Kingdom, including supporting economic growth across all parts of the country.

Owing to the unique circumstances of Northern Ireland's history, and the effect this has had on its economy and on people from all parts of the community, we have agreed to provide additional support for the people of Northern Ireland.

Governing in the national interest will mean delivering a successful Brexit that works for the whole country. It means building on our economic record of more jobs, cutting the deficit and investing more in public services like the NHS. It also means tackling the social issues we face in our country: issues like mental health, housing, and proper technical education for our young people. This agreement will allow the Government to do just that, and as such, I welcome it.

Once again, thank you for having taken the time to contact me and if I can ever be of any further assistance to you then please do not hesitate to contact me again.

*With best wishes,*

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