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HOUSE OF COMMONS
LONDON SW1A 0AA

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Jew Constituent,

RE: FUR.

Thank you for your recent correspondence in respect of the fur trade.

I support the highest standards of animal welfare, so I am pleased to note that the importation of fur products is tightly regulated. It is illegal to import furs derived from cats or dogs, or products made from them; in addition, the fur and skin of endangered animals or fish cannot be imported without a valid permit.

Meanwhile, under European legislation it is prohibited to import furs or fur products from 13 wild animal species, originating in countries where they are caught in the wild by leg-hold traps, or trapping methods that do not meet international standards of humane trapping. Strict rules are also in place in the European Union to ensure that animals kept for fur production are kept, trapped, and slaughtered humanely.

Once the UK has withdrawn from the EU it will be for the Government to consider future policies, taking into account the outcome of exit negotiations.

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,

Tom

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