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City of London (Markets) Bill

I write concerning the City of London (Markets) Bill.

Standing Order 169A (HC) and 98A (HL) (Reports concerning human rights) requires that, in the case of a Private Bill originating in either House, a report from a Minister of the Crown on the statement of opinion required by Standing Order 38(3) shall be presented to the House (by being deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments) not later than the second sitting day after that on which the Bill was read a first time.

I consider that the Bill's promoters have undertaken a full assessment of the compatibility of their proposals with the European Convention on Human Rights and I see no need to dispute their conclusions.

Yours sincerely,

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