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Dear Nusrat,

Report of the Attorney General on the Royal Albert Hall Bill

House of Commons Private Business Standing Order No. 158 requires the Attorney General to provide a report on the above-mentioned Bill to the House before it can be taken into consideration by the committee on the Bill. I have considered the provisions of the Bill and how it affects the beneficial interests in charity.

I do not object to the Bill, however, I share my predecessor's disappointment that the Bill is not more ambitious. It fails to address the well-recognised potential conflict between the private interests of seat-holding trustees and the Corporation's charitable objects. It is regrettable that the Bill does not make any meaningful change to the governance arrangements of Royal Albert Hall, which remains one of the UK's most important cultural institutions.

Kind Regards,

RT HON LORD HERMER KC
ATTORNEY GENERAL