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Dear Minister

First and foremost, I would like to welcome you back to parliament and look forward to our meeting on 18th July.

The reason for this letter is to inform you of the outcome of a Special Meeting of the Tourism Alliance Executive that I chaired yesterday to discuss the impact of the referendum result on the tourism industry.

It will not come as a surprise that the industry has considerable concerns over the impact of the referendum result is having on the industry at the moment and the potential impact that the result will have on the sector when the future relationship with the EU is negotiated.

I have written separately to John Whittingdale to express these concerns and to state the actions that we believe the Government needs to take to mitigate against these impacts (I have attached a copy for your information). This letter is to make two separate requests.

The first is to ask that you and Simon call a special meeting of the Tourism Industry Council to discuss the outcome of the referendum and to agree what actions need to be taken to taken and to ensure that the tourism sector is prepared for when negotiations with the EU begin.

While I can understand leaving this until after the new Prime Minister is elected, I believe calling a special meeting of the TIC as soon as possible would provide the leadership that the industry needs during this period of uncertainty.

Second, I would like to invite you to the Tourism Alliance AGM which is being held in Parliament from 2-5pm on 26th July to talk to the industry on what actions are being undertaken by Government to support the sector and gain the views of the industry which I believe will be helpful for you in shaping tourism policy regarding in light of the referendum.

I look forward to hearing from you. In the meantime, if we can help you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact me.

All the very best

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