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Dear Prime Minister

Thank you for your rapid response to my letter of 15 June.

I, and my colleagues on the Inquiry Committee, entirely understand your concern that it has not been possible to publish our conclusions before now.

I am sure that you will also share my desire to ensure that those conclusions - covering a period of nine years - hold firm once published. That requires the completion of the Maxwellisation process on which we are currently engaged.

Once the process is complete, it has long been my intention - as set out in my last letter - to provide you with a timetable to completion.

I am grateful for your instruction to the Civil Service, and will be glad to meet Sir Jeremy.

Yours sincerely
John Chilcot

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