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THE PRIME MINISTER

Den Sir John,

Thank you for your letter of 15 June setting out the latest position on the Iraq Inquiry.

I am disappointed that the Inquiry is not yet able to provide a timetable for the completion of its report. Since the establishment of the Inquiry nearly six years ago, the British public, in particular those who served in Iraq or lost loved ones in the conflict, have been awaiting the results of your work. They, and I, had hoped for publication of your report by now, and we are fast losing patience.

As soon as "maxwellisation" is completed, I expect to receive an update from you on the timescale for the urgent completion of your Inquiry.

The Civil Service continues to be under an instruction from me to provide every assistance to you, and I have asked the Cabinet Secretary to meet with you as soon as possible to discuss this.

I am content for you to publish this letter alongside yours to me.

Jons sil,

The Right Honourable Sir John Chilcot GCB