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Dear Laurence,

During the Northern Ireland Affairs Committee evidence session on 15 July, I committed to producing a policy paper to provide information on the measures to be included in the Northern Ireland (Stormont House Agreement) Bill.

I am pleased to announce that this paper has now been published, which can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/villiers-publishes-policy-paper-on-northern-ireland-stormont-house-agreement-bill-2015>

I will place copies in the libraries of both Houses to help inform the debate.

I am very grateful to you for agreeing that my evidence session scheduled for 16 September be moved; this will allow me to chair the talks which have been convened to deal with the serious challenges to political stability in Northern Ireland.

I hope that the policy paper is helpful and I look forward to engaging with the Committee during the Bill's passage through Parliament.

RT HON THERESA VILLIERS MP
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