



Foreign, Commonwealth
& Development Office

Lord (Tariq) Ahmad of Wimbledon
Minister of State for South Asia and
the Commonwealth
Prime Minister's Special
Representative on Preventing Sexual
Violence in Conflict

King Charles Street
London
SW1A 2AH
Tel: 0207 008 5000

Email:
fcdo.correspondence@fcdo.gov.uk

www.gov.uk/fcdo

Lord Kerr of Kinlochard
House of Lords
London
SW1A 0AA

20 April 2021

Dear John,

I am writing to follow-up on the question you raised on 15 April, following Lord Campbell's question on the discussions Her Majesty's Government has had with NATO allies regarding the recent amassing of Russian forces on the Ukrainian border.

You raised the fact that the United Kingdom is a signatory of the 1994 Budapest Memorandum and asked whether the Government agrees that this gives us a continuing responsibility for the security and territorial integrity of Ukraine.

In my response, I referred to our commitment to the convention that was signed. I would like to clarify that it is in fact, as you stated, a memorandum.

A copy of this letter will be placed in the House of Lords library.

Yours sincerely,

LORD (TARIQ) AHMAD OF WIMBLEDON
Minister of State for South Asia and the Commonwealth
Prime Minister's Special Representative on Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict