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Dear David, Dear Lindsay

PROCUREMENT BILL: UK CHINA HOSPITAL PARTNERSHIP

Thank you for your contribution to the debate on the Procurement Bill during the Committee on Monday 24 October. I would like to follow up on your questions about the UK-China hospital partnership announced in 2016.

The 2016 announcement related to an agreement between the UK's International Hospitals Group (IHG) - a private organisation which is not part of the UK Government - and China's Wanda Group. I can confirm that this agreement was terminated by IHG in 2018.

IHG is currently party to an agreement for a new hospital in Hangzhou, China, co-owned by Hong Kong Land. This is currently under construction and is due for completion by the end of 2024.

I can also confirm that UK Export Finance was not involved in either agreement and that no funding was provided by the UK Government.

Thank you again for your engagement on this. I will deposit this letter in the House Libraries.

*Warm regards
Kerry*

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