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Dear Donald,

Thank you for your contribution to the debate on Ukraine on 21 September. During your speech you asked if I could provide more information on Hungary's position on Sweden's accession to NATO.

Hungary is key NATO ally and we continue to lobby them, and Turkey, including at Foreign Secretary level to urgently ratify Swedish accession to NATO. The Foreign Secretary raised this directly with his Hungarian counterpart at the NATO Vilnius Summit in July and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Ministerial in June. In these meetings, Foreign Minister Szijjártó reassured him of Hungary's intention to not be the last to ratify.

I will place a copy of this letter in the Library of the House.

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