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Dear Baroness Brown,

## **EVOLUTION OF THE RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION (RDI) ORGANISATIONAL LANDSCAPE**

I am writing to share with you the government's response to the Independent Review of the UK's RDI organisational landscape, led by Sir Paul Nurse, which is due to be published alongside Autumn Statement on 22 November.

This response details an approach which will promote an evolution of the landscape of RDI organisations in the UK with the aim of making them more diverse, resilient and investable. It also celebrates the existing strengths of the RDI landscape across the UK and highlights ambitious actions government has taken since publication of Sir Paul Nurse's Review. This includes publishing the government's Science and Technology Framework and creating the Department for Science, Innovation and Technology (DSIT), which together provide a long-term structure and vision to support the evolution of the RDI organisational landscape. I hope this document will be helpful in informing the work of the committee.

Your committee has previously provided myself and my predecessors with valuable advice on the RDI landscape of the UK. This includes the report 'Science and Technology Superpower: more than a slogan?', which was welcomed by the government in our response to the report's recommendations.

The government is committed to long term investment and support for RDI organisations across the landscape. We have committed to invest £20 billion in R&D in 2024/25. We recognise that policy stability is an important feature of a successful landscape. In particular, the response sets out how this will be maintained under the leadership of DSIT and the S&T framework.

If your committee has any further questions about this my officials would be happy to respond and I am of course happy to come and speak to the committee on these issues.

A copy of this letter and the government response will be placed in the Libraries of the House.



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Yours sincerely,

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