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Dear James,

I promised to write to you following your Parliamentary Questions on the Review of the Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Associations 2019 report.

To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether recommendation xx of the report by his Department entitled the Review of the Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Associations 2019, published on 24 March 2020, (a) has been (i) implemented, (ii) paused, (iii) not pursued, (iv) transferred and (b) is in progress. 40173 etc.

I am grateful for the contribution of our Reserve Forces who provide the UK with the ability to meet the threats we face at home and overseas, with the scale, skills, agility and connection to society that it needs, in a cost-effective way.

I am also very grateful to the Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Associations for all they do to ensure our Reserve Forces operate effectively as they play an increasingly important role in national Defence operations and ensuring Cadet Forces provide valuable life skills to young people. The Government is looking at how these recommendations should be taken forward, including through the Armed Forces Bill 2026.

The requested status of each recommendation in the Review of the Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Associations 2019 is set out in the following table:

Implemented	Paused	Not pursued	Transferred	In Progress
3.2a; 3.2b; 3.3d; 3.4a; 3.6a; 3.8e; 3.8f; 4.1a; 4.2a; 4.2b; 4.2c; 4.2d; 4.3a; 4.3b; 4.4a; 4.4b;	3.4b; 3.5a; 3.8c; 3.8d; 4.1b; 4.6b; 4.6c; 5.2c; 6.1c;	3.1a; 3.1b; 3.1c; 3.2c; 3.5b; 3.8a; 4.5b; 4.6d; 4.6e;	3.7a;	2.8a; 2.10a; 3.3a; 3.3b; 3.3c; 3.8b; 3.8g; 4.6a; 4.7a; 5.1a; 5.4a; 5.5b; 5.6a; 5.6b; 5.6c; 5.6d;

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4.5a; 4.5c; 4.5d; 5.2a; 5.2b; 5.3a; 5.3b; 5.3c; 5.3d; 5.3e; 5.3f; 5.5a; 5.5c; 5.9a; 5.10a; 5.10b; 5.11a; 5.12a; 6.1a; 6.1b;				5.6e; 5.6f; 5.6g; 5.7a; 5.8a; 5.8b; 5.11b; 5.11c; 5.11d;
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I will place a copy of this letter in the Library of the House.

Yours sincerely,



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