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Dear Gagan,

On Thursday 11 September I committed to write with regard to your question about Lord Mandelson, the former UK Ambassador to the United States of America (USA).

As you know, in the light of additional information, in emails written by Peter Mandelson, the Prime Minister asked the Foreign Secretary to withdraw him as Ambassador in September with immediate effect. Those emails showed that the depth and extent of Peter Mandelson's relationship with Jeffrey Epstein was materially different from that known at the time of his appointment. In particular, Peter Mandelson's suggestion that Jeffrey Epstein's first conviction was wrongful and should be challenged was new information.

Peter Mandelson departed Washington in September, shortly after his withdrawal. I can confirm that he is no longer a Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) employee and is not being paid by the FCDO.

I have placed a copy of this letter in the Library of the House of Commons.

Yours sincerely,

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