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Dame Karen Bradley  
Chair of the Home Affairs Select Committee

*By email only*

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Dear Dame Karen,

Following my appearance before the Home Affairs Select Committee on 1 December 2025, I am writing to share with the Committee copies of four letters I have exchanged with the Chief Constable of West Midlands Police. These letters relate to the intelligence gathered and decision-making processes undertaken by West Midlands Police ahead of the Aston Villa v Maccabi Tel Aviv match in November 2025.

I am also placing these letters in the libraries of both Houses.

The correspondence comprises:

- My letter to Chief Constable Craig Guildford of 24 November 2025
- Chief Constable Guildford's response of 28 November 2025
- My follow-up letter dated 10 December 2025
- Chief Constable Guildford's reply of 19 December 2025

I trust this material will assist the Committee in its considerations. Please do not hesitate to contact my office if any further information would be helpful.

Very best wishes,

**Sarah Jones MP**  
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