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Questions tabled on Monday 6 March 2023

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Questions for Answer on Tuesday 7 March

Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February 2023 to Question 150463, what steps her Department has taken to help increase domestic semiconductor production.

 [Transferred] (156948)
- 2 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the potential merits setting national standards for local authorities conducting road improvement projects. [Transferred] (157675)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has taken recent steps with the Secretary of State for Education to help improve (a) cycling and (b) walking infrastructure outside schools. [Transferred] (157677)
- 4 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if she will take steps with (a) Cabinet colleagues, (b) City of York Council and (c) other local authorities to help improve road safety outside schools. [Transferred] (157679)
- Claire Hanna (Belfast South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, with reference to the paper by Joseph Rowntree Fund and the Trussell Trust entitled Guarantee our Essentials, published on 27 February 2023, what recent assessment he had made of the potential merits of uplifting Universal Credit in the context of his upcoming Spring Budget.

 [Transferred] (157715)

6N Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will provide an update on his Department's plans for responding to the Humble Address Motion of 6 December 2022 on Government PPE contracts.

[Transferred] (156974)

Questions for Answer on Wednesday 8 March

Questions for Written Answer

- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of the (a) effectiveness and (b) efficiency of welfare services for veterans. (158972)
- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, pursuant to the Answer of 3 March 2023 to Question 151266, whether probity checks on honours lists include consideration of the avoidance of (a) a conflict of interest and (b) the perception of a conflict of interest in the conferring of an honour on a person who is closely related to the Prime Minister who has nominated them; and if he will make a statement.
 (158880)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Member for South West Bedfordshire, representing the Church Commissioners, what assessment the Church has made of freedom of religion and belief (a) globally and (b) in China and Hong Kong. (158916)
- Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make an assessment for the implications for her polices of the Regulatory Policy Committee's red rating of the Government's impact assessment for the Strikes (Minimum Service Levels) Bill on Members ability to scrutinise the bill.
- Tim Farron (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether the business rates revaluation increased business rates for shops that had a rateable value of (a) above and (b) below £51,000. (158868)
- Tim Farron (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she has made an assessment with Cabinet colleagues of the potential impact of retail crime on the price of goods. (158869)
- 7 Dame Nia Griffith (Llanelli): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what support her Department has provided in the last three months to increase exports in the British automotive industry. (158852)
- 8 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether her Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of reducing the 8 per cent tariff placed on processed coffee following the UK's exit from the EU. (158962)

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- 9 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether her Department has provided recent funding for research into the recycling of rare earth elements. (158969)
- Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what the (a) mean and (b) median number of weeks of maternity leave taken by new mothers is; and what proportion of new mothers take (i) 1-25 weeks, (ii) 26 weeks, (iii) 27-38 weeks, (iv) 39 weeks, (v) 40-51 weeks, (vi) 52 weeks and (vii) 53 weeks or more of maternity leave.
- 11 Andrew Selous (South West Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether any penalties apply for failure to register land holdings with HM Land Registry. (158819)
- 12 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what the cost to the public purse was of spending on external consultants by (a) UK Export Finance, (b) the Trade Remedies Authority, (c) UK Defence and Security Exports and (d) the Competition and Markets Authority in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021 and (iii) 2022; and whether any of that spending related to the preparation of funding bids to (A) her predecessor Departments and (B) HM Treasury.
- Fiona Bruce (Congleton): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether her Department is taking steps to help support people who cannot access fibre broadband and are unable to (a) set up a community scheme and (b) fund the groundworks themselves in Congleton constituency. (158887)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to help facilitate the attendance of displaced Ukrainians at the Eurovision Song Contest. (158958)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps her Department is taking to help increase the role of football fans in decisions on (a) the running of clubs, (b) team names, (c) badges and (d) stadia. (158959)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether she plans to bring forward legislative proposals to prevent football clubs from forming breakaway leagues. (158960)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, what steps she is taking to support football clubs with maintaining stable finances. (158961)
- Sir Mike Penning (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, whether the School Sport and Activity Action Plan will include a long-term funding commitment for (a) the PE and Sport Premium, (b) the School Games and (c) other aspects of PE and school sport.

 (158832)

- 19 Sally-Ann Hart (Hastings and Rye): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to the SEND and alternative provision improvement plan, published on 2 March 2023, if she will take steps with relevant stakeholder to introduce an apprenticeship for roles such as teachers of the deaf before 2025 to help increase the numbers available to teach deaf children and young people. (159071)
- Wera Hobhouse (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how much funding her Department planned to provide to participating local authorities in the 2022-23 financial year; and how much and what proportion of that funding was received by those local authorities as of 31 January 2023. (159037)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to increase the quality of language lessons in (a) primary and (b) secondary schools. (158971)
- Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will take steps to require the Student Loan Company to undertake datagathering on the (a) characteristics of and (b) reasons given by students who (i) withdraw or (ii) take an intermission from university, and to share that data with (a) universities and (b) Government agencies seeking to ensure that students do not face barriers to participation; and if she will make a statement. (158882)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, if she will make an assessment of the (a) adequacy of the discipline approaches deployed at Millthorpe School in York and (b) impact of those approaches on the children of that school.

 (159008)
- 24 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether she is taking steps to ensure the appropriate use of discipline in schools for (a) children with special educational needs and disabilities and (b) other children; and what avenues of redress are open to parents if they have concerns about a school's use of discipline.
- 25 **Stephen Morgan** (Portsmouth South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when her Department plans to release the funding for the 24 Priority Areas for Raising School Standards. (159026)
- Sir Mike Penning (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to Primary PE and Sport Premium Research Key findings published by the Youth Sport Trust in February 2023, what steps she is taking to help ensure that schools do not cut back on after-school sport and top-up swimming lessons from September.
 (158830)
- 27 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps she is taking to enable primary schools to make effective use of PE and Sport Premium funding for 2023-24. (158831)

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- Zarah Sultana (Coventry South): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that apprenticeship degrees are provided in Coventry. (159039)
- Rosie Duffield (Canterbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has had discussions with OFGEM on disabled tenants in supported housing paying bills at domestic rates rather than business rates. (159095)
- 30 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether he has made an assessment of the potential merits of extending the official deadline for redemption of vouchers for energy support for those households (a) for whom updated occupant details have been necessary and (b) in new developments in Northern Ireland, beyond 31st March 2023. (159084)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to help households move to low carbon heating.

 (158965)
- Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how much is Department has spent on investment in renewable energy in British Overseas Territories in each of the past five years. (158818)
- 33 **Mr Barry Sheerman** (Huddersfield): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will steps to ensure that people who live on boats and continuously cruise and stay in different moorings have access to the Energy Bill Support Scheme. (158801)
- Security and Net Zero, if he will expand the Energy Bills Support Scheme
 Alternative Funding to include people whose primary residence is on a nonpermanent caravan or mobile home site. (158994)
- Richard Thomson (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of the time taken to implement the Track-2 process of carbon capture, utilisation and storage on carbon dioxide capture targets. (159015)
- Richard Thomson (Gordon): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when he plans to publish the Track-2 timeline for the Carbon Capture Usage and Storage sequencing programme. (159020)
- James Daly (Bury North): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether (a) Greater Manchester Combined Authority or (b) any other councils within that Combined Authority (i) applied for and (ii) secured funding through the Air Quality Grant scheme 2022-23. (159097)
- 38 **Dr Luke Evans** (Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what recent assessment she has made of the adequacy of levels of animal welfare standards in (a) animal sanctuaries and (b) rehoming

- organisations; and if she conduct a public consultation to assess the introduction of regulations for rehoming activities for (i) animal sanctuaries and (ii) rehoming organisations in 2023. (159072)
- Tim Farron (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many staff worked for the Environment Agency in each year between 2015 and 2022; and what the average vacancy rate was in the same period. (158870)
- 40 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many employees of the Environment Agency were working on water pollution in each year since 2015. (158871)
- Tim Farron (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many staff worked for her Department in each year between 2015 and 2022; and what the average vacancy rate was in the same period.

 (158872)
- 42 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department has produced an impact assessment on the impact of sewage dumping by water companies on shellfish.

 (158873)
- 43 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department has produced an impact assessment of sewage dumping by water companies on British wildlife. (158874)
- 44 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what assessment she has made with Cabinet colleagues of the impact of beach closures due to sewage release on the tourism industry.

 (158875)
- Tim Farron (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if her Department has produced an impact assessment on the potential impact of revoking the Water Quality Directive. (158876)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what steps her Department is taking to provide centralised resources, information and guidance on climate change adaptation for (a) landowners, (b) woodland managers and (c) forestry practitioners. (158957)
- 47 **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department is taking steps to help make it easier to recycle packaging waste. (158968)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 9 February 2023 to Question 139212 on Animal Welfare: Fish Farming, what her planned timetable is for reviewing the recommendations of the Animal Welfare Committee. (158986)

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- 49 **Henry Smith** (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many licensed dog breeders there were in England as of 1 March 2023; and how many of those breed more than three litters a year. (158888)
- Henry Smith (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, with reference to her Department's press release entitled Cruel electric shock collars for pets to be banned, published on 27 August 2018, what her planned timetable is for implementing a ban on the use of remote control electric shock collars.
- Henry Smith (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, when her Department plans to bring forward proposals for further Highly Protected Marine Areas. (158890)
- Henry Smith (Crawley): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether she plans to take steps to set targets on the designation of additional Highly Protected Marine Areas. (158891)
- for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, what the cost to the public purse was of spending on external consultants by (a) the Environment Agency, (b) Natural England and (c) the Water Services Regulation Authority in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021 and (iii) 2022; and whether any of that spending related to the preparation of funding bids to (A) her Department and (B) HM Treasury.
- Justin Tomlinson (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will take steps to amend regulations to improve access to waste nutrients for the production of low carbon fertiliser. (158901)
- Justin Tomlinson (North Swindon): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, whether her Department is taking steps to help increase the (a) adoption and (b) production of low carbon fertiliser. (158902)
- Sammy Wilson (East Antrim): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 9 January 2023 to Question 110866 on Animal Welfare: Public Consultation, when she plans to hold discussions with the poultry industry on suitable timing for a consultation on the use of cages for laying hens.
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to the Building Research Establishment's analysis entitled Tackling cold homes would save the NHS £540 million per year, published 1 March 2023, whether his Department has made an assessment of the implications for its policies of that analysis and the finding that potentially 700,000 homes in England are assessed as excessively cold. (159083)

- Thangam Debbonaire (Bristol West): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, pursuant to the Answer of 23 February 2023 to Question 142735 on Housing: Disability, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of taking steps to encourage estate agents to publish information on whether properties they are selling are accessible for wheelchair users. (158987)
- 59 **Tim Farron** (Westmorland and Lonsdale): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what proportion of projects that received money from the Levelling Up Fund: Round 2 aim to improve local high streets. (158867)
- 60 Mr Ranil Jayawardena (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the availability of self-build mortgages. (159111)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department is taking steps to increase the level of support available to people from Hong Kong who have moved to the UK. (158967)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to his Department's research entitled the impact of a change in the maximum park home sale commission, published June 2022, what assessment he has made of the implications for his Department's policies of that report's findings. (158983)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has made a recent assessment of the potential impact of section 24 of the Finance Act 2015 on the (a) availability of private rental housing stock and (b) rental prices. (158984)
- Justin Madders (Ellesmere Port and Neston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an estimate of the number of private rental properties in England in each year since 2014. (158985)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of (a) issuing guidance to local authorities on national minimum standards for social housing (i) developments and (ii) services and (b) creating an independent regulator to provide assurance that those standards are being met. (159000)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what steps he is taking to monitor the performance of local authorities in delivering (a) planning and (b) housing services. (159001)
- 67 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up,
 Housing and Communities, if he will take steps to ensure that development
 partners' economic impact assessments for development proposals are required to
 take into account the potential economic impact of the proposed development on
 the wider locality. (159010)

- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, when he expects the Infrastructure Levy to be introduced. (159011)
- 69 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what his timetable is for the (a) review of the National Planning Policy Framework and (b) publication of guidance arising from that review.

 (159012)
- 70 Holly Mumby-Croft (Scunthorpe): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department is taking steps to reduce the cost of renting for (a) private and (b) social tenants. (159081)
- 71 Andrew Selous (South West Bedfordshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he plans to introduce penalties for failure to register land holdings with HM Land Registry; and if he will make a statement. (158820)
- 72 **Dr Luke Evans** (Bosworth): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what progress her Department has made on delivering fast and reliable broadband throughout the UK. (159098)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what steps she is taking to help ensure that progress on the development of industrial clusters of economic excellence is measured; and what funding is (a) available and (b) planned for these clusters. (159112)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what discussions she has had with Cabinet colleagues on the digital creative sector in York; and what steps she is taking to support the growth of that sector. (159113)
- 75 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, whether she plans to publish a strategy for her Department on (a) growing economic clusters and (b) engaging with local stakeholders. (159114)
- Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
 Innovation and Technology, what (a) priorities and (b) targets she has for
 her Department's work; and what factors she took into consideration when
 identifying those priorities and targets.

 (159115)
- 77 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what funding the Government (a) has provided and (b) plans to provide in the next two years to support the development of clusters of innovative research and development firms. (159116)

- 78 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science,
 Innovation and Technology, what steps she is taking to help ensure that
 research programmes based in universities integrate with innovations from her
 Department. (159117)
- 79 **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to the written statement entitled Science and Technology Update, made on 6 March 2023, how much the Government will invest in the research cloud pilot, and what start and end dates that pilot will have. (158904)
- 80 Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, with reference to The UK Science and Technology Framework published on 6 March 2023, for what reason that Framework does not discuss or include references to associating to Horizon Europe. (158905)
- Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the total value is of (a) contracts and (b) vessel purchases made between his Department and companies owned by DP World in the period since 17 March 2022.
- 82 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, for what reasons the Government will not make it a legal requirement for cyclists to wear helmets. (159091)
- 83 **Dan Carden** (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department is taking to ensure young people wear helmets on bicycles.

 (159092)
- Alberto Costa (South Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what data his Department holds on the number of (a) slight collisions, (b) serious collisions and (c) fatalities which have been recorded on the section of the A5 between the junctions located at Junction 1 of the M69 and at the A4304 in each year since 2020.
- Solution 45 Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how much funding his Department has provided to increase the number of zero-emission buses in the latest period for which data is available. (158966)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether his Department is taking to steps to help retain bus, coach and HGV drivers or encourage the return of former drivers back to that sector. (158973)
- 87 **Holly Mumby-Croft** (Scunthorpe): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps his Department has taken to roll out audio-visual passenger information on buses in England. (159080)

- Sir Mike Penning (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of National Highways' performance on their legal duty to ensure the motorways are kept clear of litter; and if he will make a statement.

 (158834)
- 89 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the Office of Rail and Road's monitoring of National Highways performance on keeping the motorways clear of litter; and if he will make a statement.

 (158835)
- 90 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, how many fines for littering have been issued by National Highways and its predecessors since 1 January 2013. (158836)
- 91 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, further to the Answer of 14 November 2022 to Question 82246, on Motorways: Litter, if she will make an assessment of the potential merits of including National Highways' legal duty to ensure the motorways are kept clear of litter as a separate high-level Key Performance Indicator in the Third Road Investment Strategy (RIS3) performance specification. (158837)
- 92 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, further to the Answer of 14 November 2022 to Question 82246, on Motorways: Litter, what steps her Department is taking to ensure that National Highways meets its legal duty to ensure the motorways are kept clear of litter ahead of the commencement of the Third Road Investment Strategy (RIS3) performance specification in 2025.
- 93 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will publish National Highways most recent litter survey; and if he will make a statement. (158839)
- 94 **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what financial penalties are in place in the 30-year contract with Connect Plus M25 in relation to litter-related performance. (158840)
- 95 **Mark Pritchard** (The Wrekin): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will hold discussions with Highways England on improving drainage on the M54 motorway in Shropshire. (158862)
- Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what he has made an assessment of the impact that prohibiting nationality based pay discrimination would have on seafarer (a) welfare and (b) employment conditions in the shipping industry since 17 March 2022. (158945)
- 97 Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what steps he is taking to increase the number of UK-resident ratings employed in the ferry industry. (158946)

- 98 Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what recent discussions he has had with the Government Equalities Office on the Equality Act 2010 (Work on Ships and Hovercraft) Regulations 2011. (158947)
- 99 Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the Seafarer Statistics published by his department on 28 February 2023, what steps he is taking to increase the (a) provision and (b) uptake of seafarer apprenticeships. (158948)
- 100 Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether he has made an estimate of how many seafarers unlawfully dismissed by P&O Ferries on 17 March 2022 have taken up employment outside the maritime sector.

 (158949)
- 101 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what information his Department holds on the number of Blue Badges reported stolen in England in the last year. (159016)
- 102 **David Simmonds** (Ruislip, Northwood and Pinner): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will list the local authority areas that have reported the highest incidents of Blue Badge theft in the last year. (159019)
- 103 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what the cost to the public purse was of spending on external consultants by (a) High Speed Two Ltd., (b) Network Rail and (c) National Highways in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021 and (iii) 2022; and whether any of that spending related to the preparation of funding bids to (A) his Department and (B) HM Treasury.
- 104 **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of including the type and nature of ESA awards on departmental written communications. (158923)
- 105 **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what system is used to produce standardised letters for ESA recipients.

 (158924)
- 106 Jonathan Ashworth (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of developing standardised Proof of Benefit and Uprating Letters to include (a) the type and nature or awards and (b) other information which the recipient may find useful.

 (158925)
- James Daly (Bury North): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to help long-term unemployed people back into work; what assessment he has made of the adequacy of the availability of such support; and if he will make a statement.

- 108 **Rosie Duffield** (Canterbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether his Department has made an assessment of the adequacy financial support for widows and widowers who do not receive their late spouse's state pension following the introduction of the bereavement support payment. (159046)
- 109 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many new personal independence payment registrations were made by people who had previously been in receipt of (a) personal independence payment or (b) disability living allowance but at the time of registration were not in receipt of either of those benefits for (i) each of the last five years and (ii) 1 January 2023 to date.
- 110 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many secondary appeals were lodged following an initial lapsed appeal due to the Secretary of State revising the decision before the initial appeal could be decided in each of the last five years. (159055)
- 111 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, in how many and what proportion of cases in which there was mandatory reconsideration of a Personal Independence Payment assessment was the resulting points award the same as the points award in the initial decision. (159087)
- 112 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February to Question 148746 on Universal Credit: Work Capability Assessment, whether he plans to record that information in future.
- 113 Vicky Foxcroft (Lewisham, Deptford): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February to Question 148747 on Universal Credit: Work Capability Assessment, whether he plans to record this information in future.

 (159107)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to enable auto-enrolment to pensions from 18 years of age.
 (158963)
- 115 **Rachael Maskell** (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate he has made of the (a) cost and (b) requirement on staff hours of manually correcting National Insurance contributions records for people within four months of state pension age because the universal credit system has not transferred National Insurance class 3 credits electronically to HMRC in the last twelve months.
- 116 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate he has made of the number of people who will receive the second cost of living payment in Stockport constituency. (159096)

- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what the average time was for his Department to reinstate payments for (a) Employment and Support Allowance, (b) Universal Credit and (c) Personal Independence Payment following a tribunal allowing an appeal in each month between January 2020 and March 2023.
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of claimants who were given a negative decision following the suspension of their claim by the risk review team (a) appealed that decision and (b) had a tribunal allow their appeal. (159022)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether her Department has a target timescale for reinstating claims for (a)
 Universal Credit, (b) Personal Independence Payment and (c) Employment and Support Allowance after an appeal has been allowed. (159023)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will publish guidance on the steps a claimant should take when his Department fails to reinstate a claim following a successful appeal. (159024)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, for what reason it is his policy that people who work but earn less than £658 are subject to the benefit cap. (159052)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, for what reason it is his policy that the benefit cap is applied to people who are the primary carer of a child under the age of three and are not expected to search for work.

 (159053)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of exempting people who are not required to actively seek work from the benefit cap. (159054)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the benefit cap on primary carers of children under the age of three. (159056)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps his Department is taking to help support people who are not required to actively seek work but are subject to the benefit cap. (159057)
- **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the effectiveness of the benefit cap acting as a work incentive for claimants who are subject to the benefit cap and not expected to work.

 (159058)
- **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to support single parents to re-enter the workplace. (158975)

- 128 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to support single parents during the cost-of-living crisis. (158976)
- 129 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking to support single parents with the cost of childcare.

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- 130 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what estimate he has made of the number of people with epilepsy in long-term employment. (158981)
- 131 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he has taken to support people with epilepsy in the workplace. (158982)
- 132 Harriett Baldwin (West Worcestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the level of undiagnosed dementia in (a) Tenbury Wells County Council Division, (b) Worcestershire and (c) England. (158903)
- 133 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much his Department spent on campaigns to promote the cessation of smoking in financial year 2021-22. (158893)
- 134 Sarah Champion (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has assessed the potential merits of collecting data on ethnicity and age for those presenting with menstrual health conditions. (158936)
- 135 James Daly (Bury North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to reduce isolation of elderly people in local communities. (159047)
- 136 Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Building Research Establishment's analysis entitled Tackling cold homes would save the NHS £540 million per year, published 1 March 2023, whether his Department has made an assessment of the implications for its policies of that analysis. (159082)
- 137 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what clinical disciplines will be included in the multi-disciplinary teams that replace the Tavistock and Portman NHS Foundation Trust Gender Identity Development Service. (159108)
- 138 **Mr Ranil Jayawardena** (North East Hampshire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many new patients have been referred to the Tavistock and Portman NHS Foundation Trust Gender Identity Development Service since its closure was announced. (159109)

- **Julian Knight** (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has provided funding for the development of artificial intelligence technologies to advance (a) research and (b) the diagnosis of illnesses in the latest period for which data is available. (158964)
- **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an assessment of the impact of the Eat Out to Help Out scheme on covid-19 transmission rates. (158931)
- 141 Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to monitor progress against its target to deliver 1.1 million tests, checks and scans each year through the operational community diagnostic centres across England. (159006)
- **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how much his Department has allocated to medical research into Parkinson's disease in each of the last three years. (159064)
- 143 Navendu Mishra (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what his timetable is for (a) publication and (b) implementation of the NHS workforce plan. (159065)
- **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 2 March 2023 to Question 149488 on Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency: Staff, for what reason staffing levels fell between June 2021 and December 2022; and whether his Department plans to take steps to increase staffing capacity. (158907)
- **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to his statement of 24 January 2023 on Government Action on Major Conditions and Diseases, HCWS514, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential benefits of reprioritising mental health as part of the enlarged Major Conditions Strategy. (158908)
- **Chi Onwurah** (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Mental Health and Well-Being Plan Call to Evidence 2022, whether his Department has received submissions on mental health support for babies and toddlers; and whether evidence on that matter will be integrated into the Major Conditions Strategy. (158909)
- **Sir Mike Penning** (Hemel Hempstead): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the agreements with Watford Borough Council and the property company Kier signed by the West Hertfordshire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust in relation to the Watford Health Campus Partnership LLP, which runs until 2033 unless previously terminated by agreement, by what authority that Trust signed those agreements; what the legal basis is of that authority; and whether that authority has or had a start or end date. (158833)

- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to NICE's update to its assessment criteria, replacing the end-of-life modifier and introducing a severity modifier, what estimate his Department has made of the number of patients who were eligible to receive treatments assessed under the end-of-life modifier when establishing their managed access arrangements in the Cancer Drugs Fund. (158911)
- 149 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the payment rates under the voluntary scheme for branded medicines pricing and access on (a) clinical trials, (b) NHS income and (c) access to new medicines for patients. (158912)
- 150 **Jim Shannon** (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the potential impact of the payment rates under the voluntary scheme for branded medicines pricing and access on (a) clinical trials and (b) other research and development. (158913)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what recent steps he has taken with Cabinet colleagues to help support the life sciences industry. (158914)
- Jim Shannon (Strangford): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the implications for his policies of the report by WPI Economics entitled False economy: How NHS medicine procurement threatens the UK's Life Sciences growth engine, published in February 2023. (158915)
- John Spellar (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department has made an assessment of the impact on (a) uptake of vaccinations among eligible cohorts and (b) number of childhood influenza cases over the 2021-22 flu season in the context of the vaccine delivery completion deadline for the Childhood Influenza Vaccination Programme for 2021-22 moving from 15 December 2021 to the end of January 2022.
- 154 John Spellar (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether NHS England plans to publish the service specification for childhood influenza vaccination as part of School Aged Immunisation Service activity for 2023-24.
 (158778)
- 155 **Emily Thornberry** (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the cost to the public purse was of spending on external consultants by (a) the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency, (b) the UK Health Security Agency, (c) NHS England, and (d) NHS Digital in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021 and (iii) 2022; and whether any of that spending related to the preparation of funding bids to (A) his Department and (B) HM Treasury. (158842)

- 156 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much and what proportion of the
 funding pledged by his Department to help tackle humanitarian needs in East
 Africa in the 2022-23 financial year has been (a) disbursed and (b) allocated to
 local non-governmental organisations in Ethiopia. (158863)
- 157 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether his Department has set a target for the proportion of bilateral humanitarian aid to be delivered through local non-governmental organisations in the 2022-23 financial year.

. (158864)

- 158 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of
 the efficacy of climate-smart agriculture programmes for small farmers in

 Mozambique in improving food security in that country. (158865)
- 159 **Ms Lyn Brown** (West Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had recent discussions
 with the Chancellor of the Exchequer on reallocating more of the UK's SDRs for
 development objectives. (158866)
- of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his counterparts in Ukraine on that country's child protection process as it relates to inclusion of and support for disabled children.

(158974)

- 161 Sarah Champion (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of
 reports of the mass poisoning of school girls in Iran; and if he will make a
 statement.
 (158935)
- Martyn Day (Linlithgow and East Falkirk): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps his department is taking within the UK Embassy in Tehran to (a) assist and (b) protect (i) female, (ii) female Christian and (iii) other protestors in Iran. (159044)
- Daniel Kawczynski (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of the statement of 9 December 2022 by the Spokesperson for the UN Secretary-General on the Democratic Republic of the Congo; and what recent discussions he has had with his (a) EU and (b) US counterparts on the situation in that country.
- Daniel Kawczynski (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of imposing sanctions to help preserve the territorial integrity of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. (158859)

- Daniel Kawczynski (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on potential steps to help ensure greater co-operation with the Democratic Republic of the Congo on (a) the critical minerals supply chain, (b) the carbon credit market, (c) agriculture, (d) energy and (f) infrastructure projects. (158860)
- Daniel Kawczynski (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what steps he is taking to help ensure engagement with the Democratic Republic of the Congo at the level of Head of (a) Government and (b) State. (158861)
- 167 **Kim Leadbeater** (Batley and Spen): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what discussions he has had with the
 Chancellor of the Exchequer on aid funding to help tackle the hunger crisis in East
 Africa. (159049)
- 168 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the
 (s) levels and (b) impact of settler and military violence against Palestinians in the
 West Bank; and if he will make a statement. (158883)
- 169 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what representations he has made to
 his Israeli counterpart on the transfer of authority of Israel's Civil Administration
 in the occupied West Bank. (158884)
- 170 **Dr Matthew Offord** (Hendon): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will make an assessment of the
 implications for his policies of the violence relating to a religious event of the
 Ahmadiyya community in Panchagarh, Bangladesh on 3 March 2023. (158895)
- 171 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what his policy is on the application of
 South Sudan to join the Commonwealth. (158809)
- 172 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he plans to commission an

 official standard for the sovereign territories of Akrotiri and Dhekelia. (158810)
- 173 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many of his officials have duties
 associated with enforcing the British Indian Ocean Territory (Chagos Islands)
 Marine Protected Area. (158811)

- 174 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how much his Department has spent
 on the maintenance of the Marine Protected Area around the British Indian
 Ocean Territory (Chagos Islands) in the last 12 month period for which figures are
 available.

 (158812)
- 175 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has plans to visit any British

 Overseas Territories in the next 12 months. (158813)
- 176 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had
 with his (a) US and (b) Mauritian counterparts on the British Indian Ocean
 Territory, also known as the Chagos Islands. (158814)
- 177 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,

 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent assessment he has made of
 the potential risk of volcanic activity in Montserrat. (158815)
- 178 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many diplomatic posts his
 Department has (a) opened and (b) closed in the last five years; and whether he
 has plans to open any new diplomatic posts in 2023. (158816)
- 179 Caroline Lucas (Brighton, Pavilion): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Answer of 28 February 2023 to Question 148612 on Slavery, how the assurance function of the Multi-Agency Assurance Panels (MAAPs) is being carried out; what the timeline for the introduction of the remodelled assurance process is; if he will make it his policy to temporarily reinstate the MAAPs while the remodelled process is being developed; and if he will make a statement.
- 180 **Stuart C McDonald** (Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch East): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many reports were made through the Duty to Notify process for those people who arrived in the UK via small boats crossings between 1 January 2022 and 10 February 2023; and if he provide a breakdown by (a) nationality, (b) gender, (c) whether the person reported on was an adult or a child and (d) the First Responder agency making the referral.
- 181 **Kate Osamor** (Edmonton): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, which teams in her Department are notified when providers of accommodation for asylum seekers report violent incidents. (159040)
- 182 **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate she has made of the number of asylum seekers with epilepsy in the UK. (158978)

- **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what steps she is taking to support asylum seekers who have epilepsy.

 (158979)
- **Kirsten Oswald** (East Renfrewshire): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what estimate she has made of the number of asylum seekers with epilepsy in each of the four UK nations. (158980)
- **Bob Stewart** (Beckenham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, if she will make it her policy to introduce a requirement for retailers to hold a license to sell nitrous oxide. (158879)
- 186 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what the cost to the public purse was of spending on external consultants by (a) the National Crime Agency, (b) Border Force, (c) UK Visas and Immigration and (d) HM Passport Office in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021 and (iii) 2022; and whether any of that spending related to the preparation of funding bids to (A) her Department and (B) HM Treasury.
- **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Leader of the House, what steps she is taking to help ensure government impact assessments contain sufficient information and analysis for Members to scrutinise and suggest amendments to legislation. (158991)
- **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Leader of the House, how many government impact assessments on legislation have the Government published after a bill has (a) been introduced to the House and (b) passed all its stages in the House in this Parliament as of 6 March 2023. (158993)
- 189 John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department publishes a list of conditions that make a person serving in the Armed Forces deemed medically (a) limited deployable and 9b) non-deployable.
 (158782)
- **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department publishes a list of medical conditions that would make a person be deemed unfit for service in the Armed Forces. (158783)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many people with Crohn's disease have (a) applied to and (b) been rejected for the Army Reserves in each year since 2010.
- **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether the Army Reserves consider a person diagnosed with Crohn's disease to be unfit for service. (158785)
- **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many UK personnel took part in Joint Expeditionary Force exercises in each year since 2014. (158786)

- 194 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Joint Expeditionary Force exercises took place in each year since 2014.

 (158787)
- 195 John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many full time staff from his Department work on the International Fund for Ukraine. (158792)
- 196 John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many armoured vehicles his Department has committed to donating to Ukraine since February 2022. (158793)
- 197 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many UK-French joint military exercises took place each year since 2010. (158794)
- 198 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many (a) UK and (b) French personnel took part in UK-French military exercises each year since 2010. (158795)
- 199 **John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many UK-German joint military exercises took place each year since 2010. (158796)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many (a) UK and (b) German personnel took part in UK-French military exercises each year since 2010.
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- 201 John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what is the (a) size in hectares and (b) Housing Unit Potential of Robertson Barracks.
 (158798)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many (a) Service Family Accommodation and (b) Single Living Accommodation units there are at Imjin Barracks; and how many personnel are based at that site.

 (158799)
- John Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what is the (a) size in hectares and (b) Housing Unit Potential of Imjin Barracks. (158800)
- 204 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to strengthen defence relationships with Japan. (159086)
- 205 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment his Department has made of the implications for his policies of the security situation in Sub-Saharan Africa. (159088)
- 206 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to support British shipbuilding. (159089)

- 207 **Dr Kieran Mullan** (Crewe and Nantwich): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what steps his Department is taking to develop innovative defence technology. (159090)
- 208 Andrew Rosindell (Romford): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether he has received recent reports on territorial infringements in Gibraltarian waters; and if he will make a statement. (158817)
- 209 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the cost to the public purse was of spending on external consultants by (a) the Defence Electronics and Components Agency, (b) Defence Equipment and Support and (c) the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021 and (iii) 2022; and whether any of that spending related to the preparation of funding bids to (A) his Department and (B) HM Treasury. (158845)
- 210 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the cost to the public purse was of spending on external consultants by (a) His Majesty's Naval Service, (b) the Royal Air Force and (c) the British Army in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021 and (iii) 2022; and whether any of that spending related to the preparation of funding bids to (A) his Department and (B) HM Treasury.
- 211 Hilary Benn (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the average time taken by courts in England to deal with pre-charge bail extension applications was in the last 12 months. (158803)
- 212 **Bob Blackman** (Harrow East): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, for what reason his Department has not appointed a Chair to the Criminal Legal Aid Advisory Board as recommended in the Independent Review into Criminal Legal Aid; and what his Department's timetable is for making that appointment. (158894)
- Julian Knight (Solihull): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, whether his Department is taking steps to increase prison capacity in the West Midlands. (158970)
- 214 Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 8 February 2023 to Question 133625 on Employment Tribunals Service, what the mean age at disposal of (a) single claims and (b) multiple claimant cases was in the latest quarter for which information is available.
- 215 Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, pursuant to the Answer of 28 February 2023 to Question 146991 on Employment Tribunals Service, whether data on mean age at disposal has been collected since March 2021.
- 216 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what the cost to the public purse was of spending on external consultants by (a) HM Courts and Tribunals Service and (b) HM Prison and Probation Service in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021 and (iii) 2022; and whether any of that spending related to the preparation of funding bids to (A) his Department and (B) HM Treasury. (158847)

- 217 **Stephen Farry** (North Down): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether he has made a recent assessment of the potential merits of revising the planned dates for ending energy support for (a) residential and (b) business customers. (159050)
- 218 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of an essential user rebate of 15ppl on fuel duty; and whether he has had recent discussions on that topic with representatives of the Road Haulage Association. (159025)
- 219 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he make an estimate of the cost to the Exchequer of reducing the rate of VAT levied on hospitality businesses to 10 per cent. (159029)
- 220 **Ben Lake** (Ceredigion): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will make it his policy to exempt compensation payments issued by the Post Office Historical Shortfall Scheme from income tax. (159121)
- 221 Emily Thornberry (Islington South and Finsbury): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, what the cost to the public purse was of spending on external consultants by (a) HMRC, (b) the National Infrastructure Commission and (b) the UK Debt Management Office in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021 and (iii) 2022; and whether any of that spending related to the preparation of funding bids to his Department. (158844)
- 222 **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Minister for Women and Equalities, what steps the Government is taking to help ensure that guide dog owners are not refused access to (a) shops, (b) other businesses and (c) taxis. (159060)

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Questions for Written Answer

- 1N **Mr Marcus Fysh** (Yeovil): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the former Second Permanent Secretary to the Cabinet Office (a) advised on and (b) participated in the negotiations on the Windsor Framework. (158996)
- 2N Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Minister for the Cabinet Office, whether the Government has knowingly granted procurement contracts with any firms that have engaged in fire and rehire tactics. (158943)
- 3N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, whether she is taking steps with Cabinet colleagues to help promote flexible working. (158930)
- 4N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, if she will make an assessment of the reasons for trends in the waiting times for the installation of electric vehicle charging points. (158900)

- 5N Seema Malhotra (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, when his Department plans to answer Questions 148625 and 148626 tabled on 20 February 2023 by the hon. Member for Feltham and Heston. (158932)
- 6N Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what funding or loans are available for medium sized businesses needing to make significant investment in a new manufacturing line to meet export demand. (158910)
- 7N Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the draft Code of Practice on dismissal and re-engagement, published on 24 January 2023, what the last resort scenarios are in which dismissal and re-engagement tactics could be used. (158940)
- 8N Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, with reference to the draft Code of Practice on dismissal and re-engagement, published on 24 January 2023, what assessment her Department has made of the potential impact of financial penalties on the use of dismissal and re-engagement policies by employers. (158941)
- 9N Angela Rayner (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, in relation to the draft Statutory Code of Practice on Dismissal and Re-engagement, what procedures the Government plans to follow where employers engaged in Government procurement contracts are found to have fallen foul of that code.

 (158942)
- 10N Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, when his Department plans to respond to the correspondence of 20 February 2023 from the hon. Member for Liverpool Walton on free school meals. (159041)
- 11N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, whether her Department issues guidance to schools on the use of discipline for children with special educational needs and disabilities; and if she will have discussions with (a) schools and (b) other stakeholders on the use of discipline in schools for children with special educational needs and disabilities. (159007)
- 12N Nadia Whittome (Nottingham East): To ask the Secretary of State for Education, with reference to Building Beyond Barriers A roadmap for enhancing financial education in schools of the APPG on Financial Education for Young People, published on February 2023, if she will take steps to help ensure that all schoolaged children receive financial education by 2030.
- 13N Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, how many social housing tenants in (a) Liverpool Walton and (b) the UK have not received the warm homes discount due to a energy performance certificate not being in place. (159028)

- 14N Dan Carden (Liverpool, Walton): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on helping to ensure that housing associations apply for energy performance certificates where they are required to allow tenants to benefit from the Warm Homes Discount; and whether his Department plans to take steps to resolve the situation if housing associations do not apply for those certificates in such circumstances. (159099)
- 15N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what steps his Department is taking to increase the supply of critical minerals.

 (158896)
- 16N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the impact of the absence of a statutory requirement for an annual service on the efficiency of domestic heating systems in non-rented properties. (158897)
- 17N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make an estimate of the average (a) cost and (b) efficiency savings of replacing a central heating pump that was installed before 2013. (158898)
- 18N Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, whether the Government has made an assessment of the potential impact of (a) the UK and (b) the EU withdrawing from the Energy Charter Treaty on [global efforts//coordinated action] to tackle climate change. (158806)
- 19N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when the evaluation of the reformed Warm Home Discount scheme will commence; and if he will include in that evaluation evidence from energy suppliers on the number of claimants who received payment in 2021-22 but were not able to meet the criteria under the new scheme in 2022-23.
- 20N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, if he will make it his policy to require energy providers to provide electrical safety checks for customers who are on their Priority Services Register.

 (159110)
- 21N **Munira Wilson** (Twickenham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, when he plans to make available further information on the Energy Bills Discount Scheme in relation to households on heat networks. (159017)
- 22N **Sarah Green** (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how many licenses or permits to abstract water from chalk streams were given to each water company in each year since 2015.
- 23N **Sarah Green** (Chesham and Amersham): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, how much the Government has spent on protecting and restoring chalk streams in each year since 2015. (159094)

- 24N **Stewart Malcolm McDonald** (Glasgow South): To ask the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, if she will make an assessment of the potential impact of the forthcoming extended producer responsibility for packaging scheme on the amount of disposable vape packaging (a) used, (b) recycled and (c) going to landfill in each of the next five years. (158997)
- 25N Hilary Benn (Leeds Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, with reference to his oral contribution of 30 January 2023, Official Report, column 54, on Cartier House, the Gateway and the Drive, Saxton Gardens, what progress he has made investigating the position of those buildings.

(158802)

26N **Bill Esterson** (Sefton Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, if he will make an assessment of the potential merits of reviewing the competency framework for heating and plumbing so that installers and service engineers are trained and qualified to advise consumers on the efficiency of their heating systems whenever a boiler is changed or serviced.

(158899)

- 27N **Seema Malhotra** (Feltham and Heston): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential effect of English lessons on the ability of refugees residing in hotels to integrate into their local communities. (158933)
- 28N **Navendu Mishra** (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, whether he plans to extend support for the Homes for Ukraine scheme after six months. (159061)
- 29N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of reintroducing an Everyone In scheme; and if he will make a statement. (158773)
- 30N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, what assessment he has made of the adequacy of funding for Local Authorities to tackle homelessness services, in the context of rising inflation. (158774)
- 31N Chi Onwurah (Newcastle upon Tyne Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology, what the source of the £250 million funding for artificial intelligence, quantum technologies and engineering biology missions is.

 (158906)
- 32N **Sarah Champion** (Rotherham): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, whether system redundancy to ensure continued operation in the event of a system failure was included in the original design specification for the National Highways' CHARM system. (158934)

- 33N **Jonathan Edwards** (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make it his policy to bring forward legislation to retain Regulation (EC) No 261/2004 in UK law before the 2023 sunset contained in the Retained EU Law Bill. (158886)
- 34N Navendu Mishra (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if he will make it his policy to ensure indefinite disabled person's parking badge entitlements are awarded to people with progressive conditions, including Parkinson's disease. (159066)
- 35N **Grahame Morris** (Easington): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, if his Department will provide details of the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency's liabilities valued at or over (a) £500k and (b) £1 million as of 1 March 2023. (158892)
- 36N Sarah Olney (Richmond Park): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, when he will publish the travel time measures for the Strategic Road Network and local A roads: January to December 2022. (159043)
- 37N Abena Oppong-Asare (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to Southeastern Railway's timetable changes of December 2022, what assessment his Department has made of the potential impact of adding additional off-peak services to the Bexleyheath line but not additional peak services. (159118)
- 38N **Abena Oppong-Asare** (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to Southeastern Railway's timetable changes of December 2022, whether the recent announcement of additional services on the Bexleyheath line will be extended to cover the Woolwich line. (159119)
- 39N **Abena Oppong-Asare** (Erith and Thamesmead): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, what assessment his Department has made of the level of overcrowding on train station platforms for Southeastern services. (159120)
- 40N **Angela Rayner** (Ashton-under-Lyne): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 28 November 2022 to Question 92231 on P&O Ferries: Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme, whether his Department has had discussions with representatives of P&O Ferries about the return of furlough funding since 28 November 2022.
- 41N **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February 2023 to Question 150416 on regulation of e-scooters, what his Department's timeframe is for (a) the consultation process and (b) agreeing potential consequential regulatory measures. (158827)
- 42N **Andy Slaughter** (Hammersmith): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February 2023 to Question 150416 on Bicycles and Electric Vehicles: Safety, what his planned timetable is for introducing a rental framework for local transport authorities to manage rental services of cycles and e-cycles.

- 43N Andy Slaughter (Hammersmith): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February 2023 to Question 150416 on Bicycles and Electric Vehicles: Safety, whether the proposed rental framework to allow local transport authorities to manage rental services of cycles and e-cycles will include measures to help prevent users from leaving e-cycles on (a) pathways and (b) roads; and if he will publish details of the proposals.
- 44N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent estimate he has made of the number of parents who have left the workforce due to the cost of childcare in the last 12 months. (158926)
- 45N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what steps he is taking with Cabinet colleagues to help ensure that the cost of childcare does not lead to parents leaving the workforce. (158927)
- 46N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, whether he has had recent discussions with representatives of small and medium sized enterprises on the potential merits of providing Government subsidies for the purchase of occupational health services. (158928)
- 47N **Jonathan Ashworth** (Leicester South): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what recent discussions he has had with stakeholders on demand from small and medium sized enterprises for occupational health services. (158929)
- 48N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 2 March 2023 to Question 154038, whether the impact assessment included an assessment of the potential impact on universal credit claimants of travelling to up to 10 one-to-one jobcentre appointments within a two-week period; and if he will publish the impact assessment. (159100)
- 49N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 2 March 2023 to Question 154037, how many and what proportion of participants in the additional jobcentre support pilot (a) made applications to be reimbursed for and (b) were reimbursed for the cost of travel above their weekly or fortnightly attendance. (159101)
- 50N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, pursuant to the Answer of 2 March 2023 to Question 154037, what was the average processing time for claims by participants in the additional jobcentre support pilot for travel costs during the pilot. (159102)
- 51N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people in Barnsley Central constituency are in receipt of the Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit. (158918)
- 52N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many people who previously worked in the coal mining industry have been assessed for Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit in each of the last five years.

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- 53N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, if his Department will publish its time frame on the longevity of the Coal Industry Pneumoconiosis Compensation Scheme. (158920)
- 54N **Dan Jarvis** (Barnsley Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how much funding has been given in Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit for the PD A15 criteria since it was added to the eligibility list. (158921)
- 55N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, how many and what proportion of people in receipt of Universal Credit in York have not had National Insurance credits added to their contributions record as of 6 March 2023. (159002)
- 56N **Sir Stephen Timms** (East Ham): To ask the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, what assessment he has made of the potential merits of raising the standard allowance of Universal Credit, in the context of rising inflation. (158775)
- 57N lan Byrne (Liverpool, West Derby): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Government's decision not to publish a 10-year Mental Health Plan, what steps his Department is taking to protect mental health in the early months and years of a child's life. (159103)
- 58N **Sir Iain Duncan Smith** (Chingford and Woodford Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many Hikvision products are in use in his Department; and whether he plans to remove the Hikvision cameras. (158772)
- 59N Florence Eshalomi (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to tackle the disproportionally high rates of STI diagnoses among people of Black Caribbean heritage. (159122)
- 60N Florence Eshalomi (Vauxhall): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to tackle Trichomonas vaginalis among Black women who are being disproportionately affected by that infection. (159123)
- 61N **Emma Hardy** (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to Answer of 25 July 2022 to Question 19662 on Dental Services: Finance, how much and what proportion of the £50 million funding for increasing access to dental care was taken up by practices in (a) Yorkshire, (b) the North East and (c) England since January 2022. (159038)
- 62N Emma Hardy (Kingston upon Hull West and Hessle): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department is taking steps to help support integrated care boards determine how many people are unable to access an NHS dentist; and if he will make an assessment of how many people are unable to afford private treatment by integrated care board areas in England. (159042)
- 63N **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether he plans to take steps to help improve (a) the equality of distribution of and (b) access to bursaries for student social workers. (158937)

- 64N **Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck** (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment of the adequacy of bursaries for social work students on access to those courses. (158938)
- 65N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will take steps to allow dentists carrying out NHS work to trade units of dental activity more flexibly after March 2023. (158999)
- 66N Navendu Mishra (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what the average waiting time was for patients with Parkinson's disease to see a neurologist in (a) Stockport and (b) Greater Manchester in the latest period for which data is available. (159063)
- 67N **Bell Ribeiro-Addy** (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, if he will make an assessment with his Cabinet colleagues of the potential impact of the decline in the birth rate on the (a) delivery of and (b) demand for public services over the next 30 years. (159013)
- 68N Bell Ribeiro-Addy (Streatham): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to ONS data entitled Conceptions in England and Wales: 2020 published on 14 April 2022, whether his Department has made an assessment of the implications for its policies of the (a) declining fertility rate among women under 24, (b) stagnating fertility rate among women aged 25-29 and (c) increasing fertility rate among women aged 30 39.
- 69N **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the paper by Joint Committee on Vaccinations and Immunisation, entitled Advice on influenza vaccines for 2023-24, published on 30 November 2022, whether it is his policy to take steps in line with the advice of the Joint Committee that flu vaccinations for secondary school children should be routine.
- 70N **John Spellar** (Warley): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 3 March 2023 to Question 151418 on Influenza:

 Vaccination, for what reason the disclosure of the quantity of flu vaccinations is considered commercially sensitive. (158779)
- 71N Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps the Government is taking to help people with Raynard's disease with additional heating costs associated with their condition. (158825)
- 72N Jonathan Edwards (Carmarthen East and Dinefwr): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, if he will hold discussions with the World Bank in relation to solar projects located in the villages of Agar, Shajapur and Neemuch in the Madhya Pradesh region of India funded via the Clean Technology Fund in order to help ensure (a) adequate compensation for anyone displaced by those projects and (b) appropriate consideration of the welfare of affected communities in the planning and delivery of those projects.(158885)

- 73N **Gill Furniss** (Sheffield, Brightside and Hillsborough): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what his planned timetable is for the BRIGHTLY consortium implementing the UK's food security programme in Yemen. (159085)
- 74N Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the
 implications for his policies of reports that protestors who have occupied an oil
 production installation in Caqueta in Colombia have detained 79 police officers.

 (158804)
- 75N Fabian Hamilton (Leeds North East): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with
 his Canadian counterpart on the Canadian Prime Minister's announcement on 17
 February 2023 that Canada will deploy warships to patrol the coast of Haiti. (158805)
- 76N **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what his policy is on the proposed trial of President Paul Kagame for war crimes. (158854)
- 77N Daniel Kawczynski (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies of reports that (a) war crimes and (b) insurgency by the March 23 Movement in the Democratic Republic of Congo are funded by the Rwandan government.
- 78N **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the address of 30 January 2023 to the diplomatic corps by the President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, what his policy is on introducing sanctions on Rwanda. (158857)
- 79N Theresa Villiers (Chipping Barnet): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign,
 Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether the Windsor Framework
 permits the EU to withdraw green lane flexibilities in the event of regulatory
 divergence between the EU and the UK. (158826)
- 80N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he has had discussions with (a) the Department for Business and Trade and (b) his counterpart in the Thai government on the issue of labour rights in Thai factories used by British companies. (159032)
- 81N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, how many personnel his Department plans to employ in the Small Island Developing States hub. (159033)

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- 82N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, with reference to the policy paper entitled UK Small Island Developing States strategy 2022 to 2026, published on 27 February 2023, when the Small Island Developing States Envoy will be appointed.
- 83N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, whether he had discussions with his counterparts in (a) Australia, (b) New Zealand and (c) France on the UK's Small Island Developing States strategy in the Indo-Pacific region when preparing the policy paper entitled UK Small Island Developing States strategy 2022 to 2026, published on 27 February 2023.
- 84N Catherine West (Hornsey and Wood Green): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, pursuant to the Answer of 27 February 2023 to Question 153895 on China: Human Rights, whether Ministers in his Department have discussed that issue with British business representatives since 1 January 2023.
- 85N Dame Margaret Hodge (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many Account Freezing Orders have been made on accounts (a) intended for use in criminal sanctions evasion and (b) believed to contain the proceeds of sanctions evasion since February 2022. [Transferred] (156918)
- 86N Dame Margaret Hodge (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what information her Department holds on the number of Forfeiture Orders granted as a result of Account Freezing Orders made on accounts (a) intended for use in criminal sanctions evasion or (b) which contain the proceeds of sanctions evasion from February 2022 to date.

 [Transferred] (156919)
- 87N Dame Margaret Hodge (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what information her Department holds on the number of arrests for criminal evasion of financial sanctions from February 2022 to date. [Transferred] (156920)
- 88N Dame Margaret Hodge (Barking): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what information her Department holds on the number of criminal charges for evasion of financial sanctions from February 2022 to date. [Transferred] (156921)
- 89N **Daniel Kawczynski** (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, what assessment she has made of the implications for her policies of reports that the Rwandan Government is funding the March 23 Movement.
- 90N Holly Lynch (Halifax): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, whether the Defending Democracy Taskforce plans to make an assessment of trends in the level of state threats towards (a) journalists and (b) the legal profession. (159030)

- 91N Rachael Maskell (York Central): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, how many project licences were granted under the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986 that involved the use of the Forced Swim Test in each year since 2018.
- 92N Navendu Mishra (Stockport): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home
 Department, pursuant to the Answer of 28 February 2023 to Question 148822 on
 Asylum: Stockport, for what reason her Department does not record the data in a
 reportable format for adult and children asylum seekers that were accommodated
 that are missing.

 (159068)
- 93N **Jess Phillips** (Birmingham, Yardley): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to the oral contribution of 2 March from the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Official Report column 950, whether all domestic and sexual violence offenders are now considered to pose a high risk of harm; and whether she is taking steps to ensure that convicted perpetrators of domestic and sexual abuse cannot obtain a passport in a new name without the police being consulted. (158953)
- 94N **Mr Virendra Sharma** (Ealing, Southall): To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when her Department plans to bring forward changes to the Youth Mobility Scheme criteria for Australian nationals to widen the ages eligible to apply.

 (158878)
- 95N **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Leader of the House, what steps she is taking to help ensure ministers are appropriately briefed for Urgent Questions so they are able to answer questions from Members. (158988)
- 96N **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Leader of the House, what her timetable is for bringing the Animal Welfare (Kept Animals) Bill back to the House for its Report Stage and Third Reading. (158989)
- 97N **Thangam Debbonaire** (Bristol West): To ask the Leader of the House, if she will take steps to help ensure that impact assessments are published before a Bill is introduced to the House. (158990)
- 98N **Mr David Davis** (Haltemprice and Howden): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what recent discussions he has had with Cabinet colleagues on the Government's counter-disinformation strategy. (158780)
- 99N **Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department has made an assessment of the potential merits of taking steps with allies to build a factory in Poland to supply military aid to Ukraine. (158821)
- 100N**Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, whether his Department is providing logistical and maintenance assistance to Ukraine to support the donation of 14 Challenger 2 Main Battle Tanks. (158822)

- 101N**Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, in the last five years, for what proportion of the time the UK's Vanguard-class submarines have been (a) at sea and (b) in refit. (158823)
- 102N**Mr Tobias Ellwood** (Bournemouth East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how much alcohol is permitted to be drunk by sailors on Royal Navy submarines whilst on operations. (158824)
- 103N**John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many Challenger 2 tanks his Department plans to donate to Ukraine. (158781)
- 104N**John Healey** (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what the (a) original and (b) current timetable is for awarding bidders with funding from the International Fund for Ukraine. (158788)
- 105NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what is the current total value of the International Fund for Ukraine; and how much has been paid out of that Fund since its establishment. (158789)
- 106NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many individual bids have been (a) made for funding from the International Fund for Ukraine and (b) received funding from the International Fund for Ukraine.

 (158790)
- 107NJohn Healey (Wentworth and Dearne): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many countries have allocated money for the International Fund for Ukraine.

 (158791)
- 108NMr Kevan Jones (North Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 6 March 2023 to Question 156081 on F-35 aircraft, what the outcome is of the assessment of harmonic resonance in F135 power plant units undertaken by the Joint Program Office and UK authorities. (158808)
- 109NDaniel Kawczynski (Shrewsbury and Atcham): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, what assessment he has made of the implications for his policies on the supply of arms to countries in Central Africa of reports on the activities of the March 23 Movement. (158853)
- 110N Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck (South Shields): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, how many and what proportion of armed forces personnel took on (a) second jobs and (b) other additional work in the last two years. (158939)
- 111N Sir Julian Lewis (New Forest East): To ask the Secretary of State for Defence, pursuant to the Answer of 23 February 2023 to Question 148519 on Nuclear Test Veterans, whether the results of blood tests on personnel who witnessed nuclear test events (a) are held at the Atomic Weapons Establishment and (b) will be made available on request to the (i) veterans and (ii) surviving members of the families of deceased veterans; and if he will make a statement. (158771)

- 112N Dan Jarvis (Barnsley Central): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, if he will take steps provide financial support to people living in coalfields, in the context of rises in the cost of living.

 (158922)
- 113N Holly Lynch (Halifax): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, how many requests the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation has received to grant licenses for legal fees to people designated under sanctions in the last 12 months; and how many and what proportion of those requests it has granted. (159031)
- 114N James Murray (Ealing North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 2 February 2023 to Question 135480 on Taxation: Fines, how many penalties issued by HM Revenue and Customs which are recorded on the national penalty processing system for unpaid tax amounted to less than £1,000 in each of the last five years.
- 115N James Murray (Ealing North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 2 February to Question 135480 on Taxation: Fines, how many penalties issued by HM Revenue and Customs which are recorded on the national penalty processing system for unpaid tax amounted to £1,000 to £9,999 in each of the last five years.
- 116N James Murray (Ealing North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 2 February to Question 135480 on Taxation: Fines, how many penalties issued by HM Revenue and Customs which are recorded on the National Penalty Processing System for unpaid tax amounted to £10,000 to £99,999 in each of the last five years.
- 117N James Murray (Ealing North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 2 February 2023 to Question 135480 on Taxation: Fines, how many penalties issued by HM Revenue and Customs recorded on the National Penalty Processing System for unpaid tax amounted to £100,000 to £999,999 in each of the last five years.
- 118N James Murray (Ealing North): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, pursuant to the Answer of 2 February 2023 to Question 135480 on Taxation: Fines, how many penalties issued by HM Revenue and Customs recorded on the National Penalty Processing System for unpaid tax amounted to £1,000,000 or above in each of the last five years.
- 119N Chris Stephens (Glasgow South West): To ask the Chancellor of the Exchequer, whether his Department plans to review the upper limit on tax-free childcare in the context of trends in the level of childcare costs. (158998)

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- 1N Dame Nia Griffith (Llanelli): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, how many applications to the Trade Access Programme over the past twelve months have been (a) received and (b) successful. (158850)
- 2N **Dame Nia Griffith** (Llanelli): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, what the average timescale is for the approval of an application to the Trade Access Programme. (158851)
- 3N Mary Kelly Foy (City of Durham): To ask the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of changes in the level of standing charges on (a) [vulnerable//low income] and (b) other households.

 (159076)
- 4N **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, with reference to the policy paper entitled Bus Back Better, published on 15 March 2021, how much funding his Department has allocated to the Bus Centre of Excellence programme since its establishment; and what the budget for this programme will be in the 2023-24 financial year. (159104)
- 5N **Wera Hobhouse** (Bath): To ask the Secretary of State for Transport, on what date the Bus Centre of Excellence website will be published. (159105)
- 6N Andrew Bridgen (North West Leicestershire): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, how many deaths by suicide there were in (a) North West Leicestershire constituency, (b) the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland NHS trust, (c) the East Midlands and (d) England and Wales in each month of each of the last five years.
- 7N Margaret Greenwood (Wirral West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what estimate he has made of the number of people in (a) Wirral West constituency and (b) England who have had debt management procedures, including automated reminders, letter before action and referral to debt collection agency, commenced against them for non-payment of (i) residential and (ii) non-residential social care charges in each of the last five financial years. (158955)
- 8N Margaret Greenwood (Wirral West): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment he has made of the potential impact of the threat of court action for non-payment of social care charges on the mental health of care users.

 (158956)
- 9N Helen Hayes (Dulwich and West Norwood): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, pursuant to the Answer of 10 January 2023 to Question 114704 on Public Health: Finance, when his Department plans to inform local authorities of their public health grant budgets for 2023-24. (159073)

- 10N Lloyd Russell-Moyle (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to tackle chlamydia in the UK. (159074)
- 11N Lloyd Russell-Moyle (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to tackle gonorrhoea in the UK. (159075)
- 12N Lloyd Russell-Moyle (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps he is taking to tackle multi-drug non-susceptible strains of gonorrhoea. (159077)
- 13N **Lloyd Russell-Moyle** (Brighton, Kemptown): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, whether his Department plans to develop a national campaign to prevent anti-HIV stigma. (159078)
- 14N **Wes Streeting** (Ilford North): To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, with reference to the Answer of 12 October 2021 to Question 51702 on NHS: Expenditure, how much NHS England and clinical commissioning groups have spent in aggregate on (a) mental health services, (b) acute health services, (c) social care services, (d) primary care services and (e) other main areas of spending in each financial year since 2015-16; and how much (i) NHS England, (ii) CCGs and (iii) integrated care boards plan to spend in aggregate in each of those areas in 2022-23.
- 15N **Dr Rupa Huq** (Ealing Central and Acton): To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, what recent discussions he has had with his Israeli counterpart on the administrative detention of Palestinian citizens in Israel. (159018)
- 16N Rachel Hopkins (Luton South): To ask the Secretary of State for Justice, what was the cost of the provision of non-legal members to Employment Tribunals in each of the last five years for which figures are available. (159079)

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Questions for Written Answer

Mr John Baron (Basildon and Billericay): To ask the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, when she plans to respond to the correspondence from the hon. Member for Basildon and Billericay of (a) 8 November 2022, (b) 14 December 2022, (c) 11 January 2023 and (d) 20 February 2023 relating to a constituent with case reference JB38051.