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Dear Ellie,

Thank you for your joint email of 30 September with Carla Denyer MP, Sian Berry MP and Adrian Ramsay MP about banning snares. I would be grateful if you would share this response with them and I apologise for the delay in replying.

The Government will introduce the most ambitious programme for animal welfare in a generation and this will include ending the use of snare traps. Work on the programme for animal welfare has already begun.

Ministers at the Department remain fully committed to delivering the manifesto commitment to bring an end to the use of snares in England. Minister Zeichner referred to this in a Westminster Hall debate on 9 October.

The Department is currently considering the most effective ways to deliver its commitments.

Yours sincerely,

**BARONESS HAYMAN OF ULLOCK**