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Dear George,

Thank you for your e-mail of 17 December on behalf of a number of your constituents, about the BBC Charter Review.

The Government's BBC Charter Review Public Consultation closed on 8 October. The consultation set out 19 different questions. Over 190,000 people responded, which is the second largest response to any Government consultation.

The Government takes those responses extremely seriously and is in the process of reading and analysing all of them. Any suggestion that the Government is trying to bury the responses is totally false. I can assure your constituents that once all the responses have been read and analysed the Government will of course be publishing the consultation results.

I hope that this is helpful.

Your ever

John

The Rt Hon John Whittingdale OBE MP
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