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Dear Constituents,

Thank you for contacting me about the general election result.

The Prime Minister has formed a Government in the national interest and with the most seats and most votes, only the Conservative Party had the ability and legitimacy to do that. The Conservative Party has had a strong relationship over many years with the Democratic Unionist Party (DUP), and the two parties have now finalised a confidence and supply deal. I know there are a number concerns with this approach that I want to address directly.

As your Member of Parliament I will continue to promote and champion equal rights. I voted to introduce same sex marriage and earlier this year Conservatives in Government passed 'Turing's law' to remove historic convictions for consensual acts. We will continue to promote and champion equal rights.

On the Northern Ireland peace process, Ministers and I are committed to re-establishing inclusive, devolved government in Northern Ireland. The approach and objectives as set out in The Conservative Party Northern Ireland manifesto remain unchanged, and the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland continues to work to restore a Northern Ireland Executive as soon as possible.

Governing in the national interest will mean delivering a successful Brexit that works for the whole country. It means building on our economic record of more jobs, cutting the deficit and investing more in public services like the NHS. It means tackling the social issues we face in the country: issues like mental health, housing, and proper technical education for young people.

Thank you again for taking the time to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



Alok Sharma MP