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To the supporters of the Gavi replenishment
campaign

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Thank you for your recent correspondence regarding the UK's support for the upcoming Gavi replenishment in June. I am responding as the Minister responsible for health policy at the Department for International Development.

The UK is a leading player in global health and as announced in October 2019 has made it a priority to step up efforts to end preventable deaths of mothers, new-born babies and children in the developing world by 2030. Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance's work is critical to the delivery of this ambitious goal and in line with our commitment to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

Gavi is a high performing public-private partnership that provides subsidised vaccines and health system support in 68 of the world's poorest countries. The UK is Gavi's largest donor, committing £1.44 billion from 2016-2020. These investments will fully deliver the UK's commitment to vaccinate 76 million children by 2020, which will save 1.4 million lives. Gavi is on track to deliver on the UK commitments.

We recognise the importance of the UK's contribution to Gavi and, as hosts, we are committed to delivering a successful replenishment event in June. Gavi's next strategic period is also critically important for the UK as we work together to achieve greater and more equitable vaccine coverage and accelerate progress towards Universal Health Coverage.

The UK will ensure our investment in Gavi is ambitious, sustainable, and delivers maximum value for money by supporting countries to effectively transition from Gavi support to increased domestic funding.