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Dear Bob,

PRISONER TRANSFER AGREEMENT WITH IRAQ

I am writing to inform you that on 8 October 2015 the United Kingdom signed a prisoner transfer agreement with the Republic of Iraq.

This Agreement will enable British nationals imprisoned in Iraq, and Iraqi nationals imprisoned here, to serve their sentences in their own country where they can receive support from family and friends and can be properly integrated into the community into which they will eventually be released. The negotiation of this Agreement is in line with the Government's policy of putting in place prisoner transfer agreements wherever this is possible.

In accordance with normal practice the Agreement will be laid before Parliament shortly after its return from recess.

Yours ever,
Andrew

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