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THE PRIME MINISTER

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Thank you for your letter confirming your decision to step down from the Government.

I am very grateful for your service as Minister for Trade and Export Promotion since 2017, and the contribution you have made to boosting British exports and promoting British businesses around the world. This is crucial to the Government's vision of a Global Britain, making the most of the opportunities that lie ahead. The experience you brought, based on your successful career in industry, has been extremely valuable, both in your immediate areas of direct responsibility at the Department for International Trade and to the development of wider Government policy. I am grateful in particular for leadership of the Export Strategy, of which you can rightly be proud; and your important work in taking the Trade Bill through the House of Lords, which as you know is a crucial piece of legislation for our future as global trading nation.

I am confident that you will continue to play a role in the House of Lords from the backbenches, and wish you all the best for the future.

The Baroness Fairhead CBE