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Dear Minister,

As you will be aware, the reintroduction of lynx to the Kielder Forest in Northumberland has caused concern amongst many in constituency, especially livestock farmers along the border.

There are reports in the media that forest owners along the border, on the English side, are now supportive of the Lynx Trust's plans to apply for a Government licence to introduce four females and two males in a trial project.

I wish to seek clarification as to the UK Government's position on the reintroduction of lynx especially given the effect it will have on the rural communities along the border in my Scottish constituency.

Yours sincerely,

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