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The Rt Hon Michael Gove MP
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Dear Secretary of State

Congratulations on your reappointment.

The work of your Department is crucial in helping to make life better for people across the country. We wish you every success in the role.

As you may know, the Catholic Union works with others to represent the views and interests of the 4.5 million Catholics in Britain and advance the common good. We bring the experience and expertise of Catholic laity from all walks of life and every part of the United Kingdom into the public sphere.

There are many areas of your work of interest of Catholics – including delivering the Government's commitment to end rough sleeping by 2025, putting levelling up into practice, and helping local councils support vulnerable households.

The work of your Department in engaging with faith groups is particularly important. We hope you will make this a priority, including by publishing the report from the Independent Faith Engagement Review which was launched two years ago.

We would welcome an early opportunity to meet you or your Special Advisers to discuss mutual areas of interest, and how we might be able to work together. If you are agreeable, we would be delighted to hear from your office with some suitable dates and times for a meeting.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

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