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Dear Nadine,

I am writing in regard to notice which has been given to the Board of Trade by solicitors Womble Bond Dickinson on behalf of their client, North Somerset Council. The notice pertains to an Order pursuant to section 12 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981, Annexed to this letter.

I am responding as the Secretary of State for International Trade and President of the Board of Trade. Please note that the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 does not, strictly, apply to the Crown. However, we are content to submit to its processes for the purposes of the Order. This confirmation does not apply to any other compulsory purchase order or process nor to any Crown rights, privileges or interests not covered expressly in the Order. Please also note that this confirmation does not extend to the Crown Estate, whose interest is separate and distinct from the interest referred to in this letter.

My department would be happy to provide you with any further details on the matter should they be required.

Best wishes,

THE RT HON ANNE-MARIE TREVELYAN MP

Secretary of State for International Trade & President of the Board of Trade