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Chair, Standards & Privileges Committee
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A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Dear Kevin".

18th Report of the Committee

Thank you for ensuring I received a copy of this report which your Committee published on 12 July, with the Committee's conclusions set out in paragraphs 31-35.

The Committee note that the House of Commons Commission is currently reviewing the Green Book rules and hope that this will remove "ambiguities and perceived ambiguities in the definition of Parliamentary duties". This is certainly required in light of my case, and your report.

I acknowledge however that your Committee endorsed the view of the Parliamentary Commissioner and Director General of Human Resources and Change as to which side of the uncertain line between Parliamentary and party political activity my action lay, and that you recommend that I offer a "written apology to the House, through this Committee".

I write now to offer this formal apology.

A handwritten signature in cursive, appearing to be "John Healey".

John Healey MP