

LOOSE MINUTE

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PS/Secretary of State

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FAC: DR KELLY'S CONTACT WITH JOURNALISTS

I attach a reply to the FAC Clerk's letter of 16 July asking for details of Dr Kelly's contacts with journalists. Its terms are consistent with the draft Answer to PQ 126332 (tabled by Andrew MacKinlay), which is due for answer today.

2. It is not possible to give a comprehensive answer. Dr Kelly will have met journalists at seminars, Chatham House events, and similar occasions. He is often contacted at home (not least on technical issues). He has briefed journalists at FCO requests. In most cases he has not kept a record. We have therefore confined the answer to those meetings specifically set up by a journalist with Dr Kelly, and of which Dr Kelly has logged the meeting in his diary, whilst noting that there have been other contacts as well.

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Enclosure:
Letter to FAC Clerk

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