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**SUBJECT LINE: Genocide amendment in the Commons next Tuesday**

Dear [INSERT MP NAME] (Remember to check your MP’s title).

Next week the much-anticipated Trade Bill will make its way to the House of Commons and you will have the chance to say “no” to the UK engaging in trade deals with countries that are accused of genocide.

As you will know, in December the House of Lords voted by a majority of 129 in favour of the amendment but it still needs to be approved by the House of Commons to become law. If approved, the amendment will give the High Court of England and Wales the opportunity to make a ‘predetermination of genocide’ before the UK is able to commit to new bilateral trade deals.

I deeply believe that the UK should not trade with genocidal regimes. It is time for the UK to show moral courage and leadership by accepting the ‘Genocide Amendment’, sending a clear message that our country will not be complicit with genocide and those who perpetrate it.

Moreover, I believe that perpetrators of genocide must be brought to justice for these most serious international crimes, which regrettably continue with impunity. Therefore, the UK Government should stop making technical excuses and stand up to the act of genocide across the world. Furthermore, the government should not hesitate to affirm the principle that we will not trade with countries judged to be mired in genocide.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. I hope you will do what is right and vote to accept the ‘Genocide Amendment’ to the Trade Bill on Tuesday 19th January.

Yours sincerely,

**[Insert your full name, home address, and contact number]**

(It is important to include all of this information).