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Dear Ms Chamberlain

Thank you for your letter regarding appointments to the House of Lords in which you asked that the Commission reject any peerages submitted by the current Prime Minister.

The Commission's remit is limited to providing advice to the Prime Minister on the propriety of potential nominations to the House of Lords.

HOLAC's role is to carry out a range of checks to assess and provide its advice. It plays no part in assessing the suitability of those nominated by the political parties, which is a matter for the parties themselves.

The Commission does not make appointments and does not have a veto; it is the Prime Minister that makes the final decision on whether to take each nomination forward and make a recommendation to Her Majesty The Queen.

Please note that I will be publishing this response on our website.

Yours sincerely

Paul Bew