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Dear Baroness Hallett,

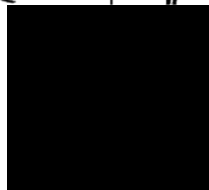
Thank you for your letter of 29 July concerning the inquest into the death of Dawn Sturgess and the prospect of establishing an inquiry under the Inquiries Act 2005 to undertake the investigation into her death.

With regret, I am unable to provide the provisional indication you seek.

As I hope you will understand, it would be inappropriate for me to consider whether or not to establish a public inquiry ahead of any request from you to do so. I can assure you, though, that I will consider any such request you choose to make with urgency and care.

Your sincerely,

With our good wishes



Rt Hon Priti Patel MP