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Dear John

Thank you for your responses to the Committee's report, *How is Additional Support for Learning working in practice?* The Committee considered responses to this report on [27 September 2017](#) and agreed that I should write to you.

The Committee noted that you committed to "commission independent research into the experiences of children, young people, parents, school staff, including support staff, and education authorities and their partners in relation to additional support for learning". The Committee would be grateful if you could confirm the timescales for this important work. The Committee would also be grateful for assurances that this work is published and shared with the Committee.

I would be grateful for a response to this letter by 3 November.

Yours sincerely

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