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Dear Protection Approaches,

Thank you very much for your letter.

Liberal Democrats are strongly committed to preventing atrocity crimes - human rights, the rule of law, justice, and liberal internationalism are at the core of our party.

Liberal Democrats have spoken out strongly against atrocity crimes and will continue to do so.

Liberal Democrats are committed to the prevention of identity-based violence, from discrimination to violent extremism and mass atrocities. This applies both at home and overseas.

We support a national inquiry on the UK's capabilities and responsibilities to help prevent identity-based violence and mass atrocities abroad. We believe in free and fair society where no one should be discriminated against or harmed because of their identity. Liberal Democrats are committed to promoting these values overseas and cooperating with international partners on these matters.

We support a feasibility assessment of a cross-departmental prevention analysis unit. Liberal Democrats are committed to transparency, accountability, and efficiency in UK international development policy and aid.

Liberal Democrats are committed to the liberal internationalist order. We believe in working through multilateral organisations such as the UN, NATO, and the WTO, rather than undermining or leaving them entirely. By championing multilateral organisations like these we can most effectively tackle challenges and take action to live up to our values internationally, to build a better world.

Yours sincerely,

Jo Swinson, Leader of the Liberal Democrats