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Dear Rudi,

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NORTH LONDON ERUV (LB BARNET)

Thank you for your letter of 8 February to John Prescott enclosing this correspondence from your constituent Mr Alan Jacobs, 3 Sutcliffe Close, London, asking that the above proposed ERUV be re-examined in some detail.

In 1994, the then Secretary of State, in granting planning permission on appeal for ERUV 1&2, agreed with his inspector that there would not be any visual effect on the environment, no conflict with the development plan, and there were no other material considerations. The Council subsequently granted planning permission for an amended application (ERUV3). In 1998 the Secretary of State was asked to call in a further application (ERUV4) for a public inquiry to enable civil rights issues arising from the Human Right Act to be considered. However, as these were not planning issues and given that the Secretary of State had considered the issues very carefully on appeal in 1994, it was concluded that there did not appear to be any matters which could justify the Secretary of State's intervention.

I have noted the contents of your constituent's letter and the attached US Jewish newspaper article but I have to inform you that there do not appear to be planning grounds to warrant the Secretary of State's intervention.

Yours ever,
Keith.

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