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DEFRA Letter of 16 March 2012

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From Lord Taylor of Holbeach
Parliamentary Under-Secretary

Dear Mr Stewart

Thank you for your letter of 2 February 2012 – I apologise for the delay in replying. However, I'm pleased to inform you that the full report to which you refer in your letter is now available on the Defra website here:

Summary:

<http://randd.defra.gov.uk/Default.aspx?Menu=Menu&Module=More&Location=None&ProjectID=14689&FromSearch=Y&Publisher=1&SearchText=wm0315&SortString=ProjectCode&SortOrder=Asc&Paging=10#Description>

Full report:

http://randd.defra.gov.uk/Document.aspx?Document=9872_wm0315-humaneness-snares.pdf

As set out in a Written Ministerial Statement published today, I wish to allow stakeholders time to consider the report's findings in details and will discuss possible ways forward with them before making any decisions.

LORD TAYLOR OF HOLBEACH