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Dear Mr Freeguard

Thank you for your letter of 15 July to the former Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, the Rt Hon Jeremy Wright QC MP, on behalf of a number of organisations, regarding the National Data Strategy.

The government very much welcomes your letter as part of the call for evidence for the National Data Strategy. Your views are helpful as the National Data Strategy team begins to shape the strategy over the coming months. We know that many of the groups you have written on behalf of have also either hosted or taken part in one of our current series of National Data Strategy roundtable events. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support.

As you will know, the findings from this first phase of work will inform the framework and structure of our formal public consultation, planned for later in 2019. DCMS looks forward to continuing to work closely with your organisations and others as we develop the strategy over the coming months.

Gaia Marcus, the Head of the National Data Strategy, will continue this helpful dialogue between our organisations.

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