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Mr Nathan Ross Assistant Private Secretary (Commonwealth and Sustainability) Office of the King Buckingham Palace London.

Dear Mr Ross

Thank you very much for your letter on behalf of the King. I was delighted to pass it onto the co-signatories of our letter, which recognised his welcome leadership on environmental issues over decades and sought his support for ambitious action in Scotland's uplands in response to the nature and climate crises.

We are preparing a short report, as requested, on the key risks and threats, with some proposed solutions for upland management, including potential roles for Balmoral. We will aim to have completed a first draft in December and get a final version to you by end of April, perhaps in time to secure a slot in the King's diary for his summer 2025 visit to Balmoral?

We look forward to working with the Balmoral Estate, the Royal Household and His Majesty on these important issues at this crucial time.

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