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Dear Mr Duvall,

## Garden Bridge

We are aware of the discussion that took place at the meeting of the GLA Oversight Committee on Wednesday 11 October 2017 about Dame Margaret Hodge's independent review into the Garden Bridge. We note that various references that were made during this discussion about the role of Arup in the project and correspondence between Arup and Dame Margaret Hodge.

Arup participated fully with the review and both Isabel Dedring and Richard de Cani met with Dame Margaret Hodge to help her with the review and answer her questions. Throughout the review process, Arup has co-operated with any requests for information and has offered to answer any further queries. We continue to offer our assistance. In the spirit of continued openness and transparency, I have attached to this letter copies of the letters from Arup, Isabel Dedring and Richard de Cani to Dame Margaret Hodge, during and after the review process.

From this correspondence you can see that whilst we did have legitimate concerns with some elements of how the review was conducted, we always sought to offer constructive and helpful input to the process, offering to provide further information if requested and provide more detailed responses to specific questions.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely

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