MAYOR OF LONDON

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Dear Zack and Tony,

Thank you both for your letter of 6 October.

The UN Climate Change Conference in Glasgow is a crossroads for the world in ensuring that nations commit to ambitious, binding emissions reductions targets to limit global warming to 1.5C degrees and that new and additional financial support is mobilised to allow this to happen.

As I have set out, I am looking forward to attending events at COP26 in Glasgow as an opportunity to highlight how London is leading the way in many aspects of tackling the climate emergency and will use my international role as part of C40 cities to share London's activity and achievements on the global stage. But I also see the conference as an opportunity to bring together partners in London across many different sectors to move further and faster so that London can be a net zero carbon city by 2030.

I am afraid that decisions on accreditation for COP26 rest with the COP26 President and UK Government, and indeed the Greater London Authority has only been allocated a very limited number of passes to access the 'blue zone' at COP26, the area primarily designated for nations to negotiate on emission reduction targets. That said, there is a full schedule of events taking place outside of the 'blue zone', including the 'green zone' which has a separate <u>application process</u>. This provides a number of opportunities for the Assembly to contribute your work, experience and insight with those attending in particular on the Cities and Built Environment Day.

Yours sincerely,

Sadiq Khan Mayor of London