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A Letter to the Blockchain & Crypto-Assets Community and Stakeholders in the UK

We have heard of the resignation of the British Prime Minister and the major cabinet reshuffle in the last hours. The turmoil has rocked our country's politics and may have shaken some people's faith in its institutions.

On behalf of the blockchain and crypto community in the UK, I would like to reaffirm our unwavering commitment to the advances being made in our industry across the country.

Through collaboration, innovation and excellence, the United Kingdom's blockchain sector has made tremendous progress in recent times. This is because our institutions have built robust and cohesive foundations of blockchain and cryptocurrencies, as expressed in the work of: The British Blockchain Association, Law Commission, the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Blockchain, Financial Conduct Authority, HM Treasury, Bank of England, HMRC, UK's universities and public services, to name but a few of the bodies that support the advancement of blockchain and crypto-assets to flourish sensibly, and safely.

Our work on the UK's National Blockchain Roadmap (NBR), Crypto Sprints with the FCA, International Scientific Conferences, the standards-setting efforts at the Centre for Evidence-Based Blockchain and The JBBA, BAF's Global Summits and regular interaction with members and stakeholders continue to contribute to the making of strong policies, regulation and legislation that are turning the United Kingdom into an outstanding excellence hub for blockchain and digital assets – and a source of inspiration for all.

My message to the UK's Blockchain and Crypto community is clear: We as a community cannot put our ambitions on hold. We must continue to build on the excellent work of thought-leaders, academics, policymakers and blockchain enterprises to advance evidence-based practices, explore new frontiers, push back boundaries, and establish best-in-class DLT products and services for the people and businesses of the UK, and beyond.

This is business as usual for UK's blockchain and crypto builders. Thank you again for your contributions to this vibrant and progressive ecosystem.

With best wishes,

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In July 2021, BBA published the **UK's National Blockchain Roadmap** in collaboration with the UK All-Party Parliamentary Group on Blockchain and other stakeholders of the Britain's DLT ecosystem.

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