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# Written Answers

*Tuesday, 5 July 2016*

## Cancer: Death

*Asked by Lord Freyberg*

To ask Her Majesty's Government whether data about all deaths of NHS cancer patients in England are collected by the National Cancer Registry; and if so, within how many months of death those data are collected. [HL828]

**Lord Bridges of Headley:** The information requested falls within the responsibility of the UK Statistics Authority. I have asked the Authority to reply.

The Answer includes the following attached material:

UKSA Letter for Member - NHS Cancer Data [UKSA response to HL828 (2) (2).pdf]

The material can be viewed online at:  
<http://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions-answers-statements/written-question/Lords/2016-06-28/HL828>

## Fracking

*Asked by The Marquess of Lothian*

To ask Her Majesty's Government when the Secretary of State for Energy will respond to the Committee on Climate Change's report on the environmental impact of shale gas fracking submitted to the Department of Energy and Climate Change on 30 March. [HL821]

**Lord Bourne of Aberystwyth:** The Government has received the Committee on Climate Change (CCC) report. We are carefully considering the report to ensure it is given the proper consideration it is due.

Under the Infrastructure Act 2015, the Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change is required to lay the CCC report and our response before Parliament together. They will be published as soon as practicable once our response is complete.

## Islamic State

*Asked by Lord Alton of Liverpool*

To ask Her Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of reports from the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights that ISIS has (1) executed five activists who had been collecting evidence of ISIS genocide and crimes against humanity, (2) murdered the editor of Hentah, and (3) wounded the founder of the Syrian news site Eye on the Homeland; and what discussions they have held with the government of Turkey about bringing to justice those responsible for those crimes. [HL809]

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns:** We are aware of these reports, which appear to be further examples of Daesh

crimes in the region. The Government continues to support the collection of evidence against Daesh and pays tribute to those risking their lives to document its atrocities. We are working tirelessly with our Coalition partners, including Turkey, to defeat Daesh and ensure that those responsible for committing atrocities are held to account.

## Israel: Palestinians

*Asked by Baroness Tonge*

To ask Her Majesty's Government what further representations they have made to the government of Israel to enable the legal team headed by Baroness Scotland of Asthal that produced the report Children in Military Custody to re-visit and assess progress in that area. [HL795]

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns:** We have not made any further representations to enable the legal team to meet with Government of Israel. The issue of children in detention is a human rights priority for the UK. We are considering alternative options to encourage further progress.

*Asked by Baroness Tonge*

To ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they intend to make to the government of Israel asking them to take financial responsibility for the territories they occupy. [HL797]

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns:** We have no plans to make any representations to the Israeli authorities on this issue.

*Asked by Baroness Tonge*

To ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they have made to the government of Israel concerning cuts in water supply to areas of the West Bank. [HL798]

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns:** Officials from our Embassy in Tel Aviv discussed this issue with the Israeli authorities on 27 June. We have stressed the need for Israel to take immediate and practical measures to improve the current situation and ensure fair distribution of water in the West Bank and Gaza.

During the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, my hon. Friend the Member for Bournemouth East (Mr Ellwood's) visit to Israel in February, he stressed to the Israeli government and Prime Minister Netanyahu that there was an urgent need for practical, incremental steps to improve the lives of Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza.

## Overseas Aid

*Asked by Lord Hylton*

To ask Her Majesty's Government whether they will consult widely on how the UK's contributions to EU

programmes for disaster relief, aid and development might be used in the future. [HL836]

**Baroness Verma:** The UK's aid strategy sets out how we will tackle extreme poverty and in doing so protect our own national security and interests. We will continue to ensure that our 0.7% ODA commitment is used to deliver our development objectives to maximum effect whilst achieving value for money for the taxpayer.

### **Schools: Health Education**

*Asked by Baroness Masham of Ilton*

To ask Her Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to implement health education as a compulsory part of the PSHE curriculum, inspected by Ofsted, from age five to 18, in the light of the recommendation from the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Primary Care and Public Health's Inquiry Report into NHS England's Five Year Forward View: Behaviour Change, Information and Signposting published in March 2016. [HL819]

**Lord Nash:** All schools are required to teach a balanced and broadly based curriculum that promotes the spiritual, moral, cultural, mental and physical development of pupils, and prepares them for adult life.

The national curriculum focuses on the essential knowledge children need so that teachers can design a wider school curriculum that is responsive to the needs of their pupils. This teaching can include a range of topics

that fall under PSHE, such as health education and health awareness.

To help schools plan their provision, the PSHE Association has produced a suggested programme of study for schools to follow, which includes content about 'Health and Wellbeing'.

Ofsted do not inspect individual curriculum subjects. Instead, the framework enables important aspects of PSHE to be considered in a proportionate and integrated way, linked to the core inspection areas.

### **Turkey: Press Freedom**

*Asked by Lord Hylton*

To ask Her Majesty's Government what representations they are making to the government of Turkey following the recent arrests of Erol Önderoğlu, Ahmet Nesin, and Sebnem Korur Fincancı on terrorism charges; and whether they plan to respond to the Joint Oral Statement of 22 June by PEN International, Article 19, International Federation of Journalists, European Federation of Journalists and International Press Institute. [HL812]

**Baroness Anelay of St Johns:** As a friend and ally we strongly encourage Turkey to continue work towards the full protection of all fundamental rights, including freedom of expression – and will continue to do so. The UK supported the EU statement at the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe Permanent Council on 23 June expressing concern over these arrests. We continue to monitor these cases closely.

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