

## **Written Ministerial Statement**

### **CABINET OFFICE**

#### **Civil Contingencies Bill**

**The Minister for the Cabinet Office and Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster  
(Douglas Alexander MP):**

I am today publishing the “Government’s Response To The Report Of The Joint Committee On The Draft Civil Contingencies Bill (incorporating the Government’s Response to the House of Commons Defence Committee on the draft Civil Contingencies Bill)” (CMD 6076)

The Government is grateful for the contribution of the Joint Committee and the Defence Committee to the development of the thinking on the draft Bill as set out in their reports of 2 July and 28 November. We have considered in detail the recommendations put forward. Copies of the Government’s response are available in the Libraries of both Houses and can also be viewed on the UK Resilience website ([www.ukresilience.info](http://www.ukresilience.info)).

I am also today publishing the Government's response to the public consultation on the draft Civil Contingencies Bill, that was carried out last summer from 19 June until 11 September. This is also available in the Libraries of both Houses and can be viewed at [www.ukresilience.info](http://www.ukresilience.info).

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