

HOUSE OF LORDS BUSINESS

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Items marked † are new or have been altered.

Thursday 8 December 2022 at 11.00am

Lord Jackson of Peterborough, and

Baroness Anderson of Stoke-on-Trent will be introduced.

Oral questions (40 minutes)

***Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the contribution of (1) foreign mining companies, and (2) other external actors, to the conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

***Baroness Sugg** to ask His Majesty's Government what steps they are taking to protect media freedom around the world.

***Baroness Meyer** to ask His Majesty's Government whether the Probate Department's recommended wait time for the granting of probate of 10 days is being achieved; and if not, (1) what is the current average waiting time, and (2) what steps they are taking to reduce the delay.

***Baroness Randerson** to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of potential impact of rail strikes called for 24 to 27 December on (1) passenger services, and (2) rail maintenance projects, scheduled for this period.

†**Viscount Chandos** to move that this House takes note of the case for an arts and creative industries strategy to maintain the United Kingdom's global leadership within the sector and align the industries' economic benefits with the Government's levelling up agenda. *(3 hours)*

Baroness Chakrabarti to ask His Majesty's Government what assessment they have made of the Independent Cultural Review of the London Fire Brigade, published on 26 November. *(Topical Question for Short Debate, 1 hour)*

†**Lord Watson of Invergowrie** to move that this House takes note of the *Independent Review of Children's Social Care*, published on 23 May, and the case for integrated care and support across all services. *(2 hours)*