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Dear Karime

I am writing on behalf of Her Majesty's Government to express my gratitude to you and your team for Exeter City Council's involvement in running what has been a memorable and successful Rugby World Cup 2015.

It has been an incredible effort from all concerned to stage such an event, and I hope that you enjoyed the three games played at Sandy Park.

I would also like to mention the success of the Fanzones, including the one in Exeter, which have allowed thousands more people to feel closer to the tournament and to enjoy their own experiences, even if they were unable to get to a game.

I hope that you have felt, and continue to feel, the local benefits of hosting such a high profile tournament and am sure you will be open to engaging in future major events.

Thank you so much for your hard work and effort in helping England and Wales put on one of the best Rugby World Cups in history. You should all be very proud.

Yours sincerely

Tracey Crouch MP
Minister for Sport

