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Dear *****

You are invited to the launch of Open Doors 2019 World Watch List, hosted by the Rt Hon Theresa Villiers MP, in the Members' Dining Room on 16 January at 4-5pm.

Tackling religious persecution head-on is a strategic way to resolve many complex, global issues. Religious persecution is the issue of our time. Addressing it will help resolve many other global problems.

The right to freedom of religion or belief is central to human experience. Where freedom of religion or belief is denied, further oppression follows - other rights are withheld such as freedom of expression, the right to a family life and a fair trial. Religious persecution further exacerbates existing vulnerabilities such as gender, ethnicity, class or age.

I therefore urge you come and to prioritise this year's World Watch List launch: to discover the 50 most dangerous countries in which to live as a Christian, to hear speakers from Nigeria and Malaysia share about religious persecution first-hand, and to find out how addressing religious persecution could help resolve many global issues.

I look forward to hearing what you and/or your representatives thought of this presentation.

Yours sincerely,