



Message from  
The Rt Hon Baroness Hayman,  
The Lord Speaker

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**A**s Lord Speaker, I should like to add my welcome to His Holiness the Pope, both on my own account and on behalf of the House of Lords.

I am particularly pleased that as part of his programme, His Holiness will be able to visit the Palace of Westminster. I look forward very much to welcoming him there when he comes to address members of civil society, including

members and staff of both Houses, on the theme of religion and society. As the presiding officer of a chamber of parliament in which many faiths are represented, I am particularly conscious of the ethical dimension to so many of the pressing issues of our time. I and the many Members present will look forward very much to hearing what His Holiness has to say to us and wish his visit well. **F**