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Science and Technology Committee

The Campaign for Science & Engineering (CaSE) warmly welcomed the House of Commons' decision to establish the Science and Technology Committee. CaSE lobbied for it to be established following the merger of DIUS and BIS. In today's debate Phil Willis MP commended CaSE's efforts to bring back the Science and Technology Committee.

Commenting Nick Dusic, CaSE's Director, said:

"It is great news that the Science and Technology Committee will be able to investigate science and engineering issues that cut right across government, including the science budget.

"Today's decision showed that there is strong support for proper scrutiny of science and engineering within Parliament. It is critical that future changes to government do not result in the abolition of the Science and Technology Committee. Today's decision corrects the mistake made in 2007 of abolishing the Committee.

"I look forward to working with the Science and Technology Committee in scrutinising the Government's science policies."

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Notes to editors

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2. Campaign for Science & Engineering (CaSE) is a policy advocate for science and engineering in the UK. CaSE is supported by its members, which includes individuals, corporations, universities and learned societies. Further information on CaSE can be found on our website: <http://www.sciencecampaign.org.uk>