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Dear Ms Mewies,

I would like to thank you for your letter of December 9th last, with which you enclosed a copy of the interim report on the future of cohesion policy drawn up by the European and External Affairs Committee of the Welsh Assembly.

I very much welcome this input which I consider to be a valuable contribution to the debate on this issue. I have asked the relevant services within the Directorate General for Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, which falls under my responsibility and which is responsible for the European Social Fund (ESF), to examine the report in detail.

Yours sincerely

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