

Concise Minutes – External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 2 – Senedd

Meeting date: Monday, 4 March 2019

Meeting time: 14. – 16.01

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	David Rees AM (Chair) Alun Davies AM Huw Irranca-Davies AM Delyth Jewell AM David Melding AM
Witnesses:	Eluned Morgan AM, Minister for International Relations and the Welsh Language Rachael Clancy, Welsh Government Emma Edworthy, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Alun Davidson (Clerk) Yan Thomas (Deputy Clerk) Gareth David Thomas (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.



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1.2 Apologies were received from Michelle Brown, Joyce Watson and Mark Reckless.

2 Scrutiny session with the Minister for International Relations and the Welsh Language

2.1 The Minister responded to questions from Members.

3 Papers to note

3.1 Paper to note 1 – Correspondence from CLAC Chair to the First Minister regarding scrutiny of Brexit-related legislation – 6 February 2019

3.1 The paper was noted.

3.2 Paper to note 2 – Correspondence from CLAC Chair to Lord Boswell regarding post-Brexit UK-EU interinstitutional relations – 12 February 2019

3.2 The paper was noted.

3.3 Paper to note 3 – Legislative consent: Trade Bill – Correspondence from the Minister for International Relations to the Chair regarding the UK Trade Bill – Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum – 15 February 2019

3.3 The paper was noted.

3.4 Paper to note 4 – Correspondence from Baroness Fairhead to the Chair regarding the Trade Bill – 19 February 2019

3.4 The paper was noted.

3.5 Paper to note 5 – Correspondence from the Minister of International Relations and the Welsh Language to the Chair regarding international agreements – 26 February 2019

3.5 The paper was noted.

4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(vi) and (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting and item 1 of its meeting on 11 March 2019

4.1 The motion was agreed.

5 Scrutiny session with the Minister for International Relations and the Welsh Language – consideration of evidence

5.1 Members considered the evidence received.

6 Consideration of the Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Trade Bill

6.1 Members considered and agreed a report on the Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Trade Bill.

7 Consideration of the Committee's approach to the scrutiny of international agreements laid before the UK Parliament

7.1 Members considered and agreed the Committee's approach to the scrutiny of international agreements laid before the UK Parliament.

7.2 Members agreed to report on three of the agreements due to issues identified in the agreements that could impact Wales. The Committee also considered the following agreements:

- UK/New Zealand: Agreement on Mutual Recognition in Relation to Conformity Assessment.
- UK/Australia: Agreement on Mutual Recognition in Relation to Conformity Assessment, Certificates and Markings.
- UK/Chile: Agreement on Trade in Organic Products.
- Road Transport Agreement with Serbia.
- Road Transport Agreement with Kazakhstan.
- Road Transport Agreement with Switzerland.
- Aviation Agreement with Switzerland.

8 Brussels visit

8.1 Members discussed and agreed action points from the recent committee visit to Brussels.