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Dear both

The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) Regulations 2020, The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Public Health Information for Persons Travelling to Wales etc.) Regulations 2020, and the breach of the 21 day rule

At our meetings on 22 and 29 June 2020, we considered the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) Regulations 2020 and The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Public Health Information for Persons Travelling to Wales etc.) Regulations 2020. Both instruments were laid in breach of the 21 day rule.

I wrote to you on 17 March 2020 noting that Welsh Government breaches of the 21 day rule appear to be occurring with increasing regularity. Between October 2019 and the 17 March 2020, there had been 12 such breaches. Since my previous letter, there have been a further 13 instruments laid in breach of the 21 day rule.

We again acknowledge that there can be valid reasons for such breaches and note that, of the 13 breaches since mid-March, only one was not related to the COVID-19 public health emergency. However, and as I said previously, we do not wish to see the practice of breaching the 21 day rule becoming normalised in any way.

We will continue to monitor the frequency and circumstances of future breaches of the 21 day rule in order to make a cumulative assessment at an appropriate future date.

Yours sincerely



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