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Dear Llywydd,

The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2020

In accordance with sections 4(1) and 11A(4) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946 I am notifying you that this Statutory Instrument will come into force before it is laid and as such not adhere to the usual 21 day convention. The Explanatory Memorandum that accompanies the Regulations is attached for your information.

The Regulations being made today further amend the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) Regulations 2020 to add the following countries and/or territories to the list of exempt countries:

- Latvia;
- Estonia;
- Slovakia;
- Slovenia; and
- St Vincent and the Grenadines.

Further, the Regulations remove Luxembourg from the list of exempt countries due to a rise in the risk to public health posed by arrivals from Luxembourg.

The Regulations also add to the list of sporting events in Schedule 4 which permit exceptions from isolation for those involved and make a further minor technical amendment to the definition of sewerage licensee.

It has been necessary to urgently remove Luxembourg from the list of exempted countries and territories that are set out in the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) Regulations 2020 following advice which indicates the risk to public health of inbound travel from Luxembourg has risen. Therefore not adhering to

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the 21 day convention, and bringing them into force before they are laid, allows these Regulations to come into force at the earliest opportunity, and in view of the changing evidence on risk in relation to this disease this is considered necessary and justifiable in this case.

Due to the immediacy of the Regulations they have not been subject to consultation.

I am copying this letter to Mick Antoniw AM, Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee, Sian Wilkins, Head of Chamber and Committee Services and Julian Luke, Head of Policy and Legislation Committee Service.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rebecca Evans". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Rebecca" written in a larger, more prominent hand than the surname "Evans".

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