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Eich cyf/Your ref P-05-743  
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Dear Janet

Thank you for your email of 5 March regarding an update on Petition P-05-743 - End the Exotic Pet Trade in Wales.

Welsh Government are committed to maintaining high standards of animal welfare. Officials have been working with the Animal Welfare Network Wales to draft a new Code of Practice for the Welfare of Primates, which highlights their complex needs. However work on this has been paused due to the impact of COVID and will not be progressed before the Senedd elections.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lesley Griffiths". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lesley" and the last name "Griffiths" clearly distinguishable.

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