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Dear Mick

I am writing to inform you that I have laid a statutory instrument consent memorandum ("the memorandum") in relation to the Common Fisheries Policy (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 ("the Regulations") which were made by the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for the Environment, on 22 October. The Regulations contain amendments to the Fisheries Act 1981 which include provision for Wales.

The purpose of the Regulations is to address failures of retained European Union (EU) law to operate effectively and other deficiencies arising from the United Kingdom (UK) leaving the EU as provided for by the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018. The corrections contained in the Regulations also ensure the UK meets its obligations under the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland to the withdrawal agreement ("the Protocol").

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Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb gohebiaeth a dderbynnir yn Gymraeg yn Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

I have laid the memorandum in accordance with the requirement under Standing Order (SO) 30A. I consider the Regulations to be a relevant statutory instrument because they make provision in relation to Wales amending primary legislation within the legislative competence of the Senedd, which is not an incidental, consequential, transitional, transitory, supplementary or savings provision relating to matters which are not within the legislative competence of the Senedd.

Regards

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