

Llywodraeth Cymru Welsh Government

Ein cyf/Our ref MA/VG/0168/21

Elin Jones, MS Llywydd Senedd Cymru Cardiff Bay CF99 1SN

14 January 2021

Dear Elin,

The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel and Restrictions) (Amendment) (No. 2) (Wales) Regulations 2021

I have today made these Regulations under sections 45B, 45C(1) and (3), 45F(2) and 45P of the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984. These Regulations come into force in part at 4.00am on 15 January 2021, with the remaining provisions coming into force at 4.00am on 16 January 2021. I attach a copy of the statutory instrument and I intend to lay this and an accompanying Explanatory Memorandum once the statutory instrument has been registered.

In accordance with section 4(1) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946, I am informing you that that these Regulations will come into force in part before they are laid before the Senedd. This is considered a necessary response to the news that a new variant of Covid-19 has been detected firstly in Brazil, which increases the risk posed by travellers into Wales, and also ensures that a four nations approach on international travel can be maintained.

In accordance with the emergency procedure set out in section 45R of the Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984, this instrument must be approved by the Senedd by 10 February 2021 in order for it to remain in effect. In these circumstances I understand Standing Order 21.4A is relevant and the Business Committee may establish and publish a timetable for the responsible committee or committees to report. I intend to schedule these Regulations for debate in Plenary on 26 January 2021.

I am copying this letter to the Minister for Finance and Trefnydd, Mick Antoniw MS as Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee, Siwan Davies, Director of Senedd Business, Sian Wilkins, Head of Chamber and Committee Services and Julian Luke, Head of Policy and Legislation Committee Service.

> Bae Caerdydd • Cardiff Bay Caerdydd • Cardiff CF99 1SN

Canolfan Cyswllt Cyntaf / First Point of Contact Centre: 0300 0604400 <u>Gohebiaeth.Vaughan.Gething@lyw.cymru</u> <u>Correspondence.Vaughan.Gething@gov.wales</u>

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.

We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

Yours sincerely,

Vaughan Gettin

Vaughan Gething AS/MS Y Gweinidog lechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol Minister for Health and Social Services