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Dear Llywydd

## The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2021

In accordance with sections 4(1) and 11A(4) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946, I am notifying you that this statutory instrument has not adhered to the 21 day convention and will come into force before it can be laid. 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.

It has been necessary to urgently remove the United Arab Emirates (UAE) 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 UAE has risen.

Not adhering to 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.

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I am copying this letter to Mick Antoniw AM, 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.

Yours sincerely,

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