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Dear Rhodri,

The Big Picture – The Committee’s Initial Views on Broadcasting in Wales

You will be aware that the Culture, Welsh Language and Communications Committee recently published a report which sets out our initial views on broadcasting and the media in Wales.

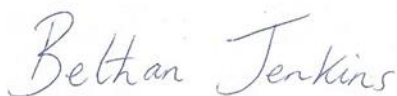
The report made a number of recommendations, we have included below those which pertain to Ofcom.

‘Recommendation 8. We recommend that the UK Government and Ofcom consider amending Ofcom’s Code of Practice for EPG providers to ensure that S4C receives greater prominence in Wales on Electronic Programme Guides and smart TV applications, such as the BBC’s i-player.’

‘Recommendation 11. We call on Ofcom to assess what powers it has to increase Channel 4’s out of England quotas ahead of the next licence renewal in 2024 and in doing so revisit the more challenging options for increasing the quota that were considered in 2013-14.’

We’d be grateful if you could respond to these recommendations by close of play on 13 March 2017, in time for the Assembly’s debate, both on the report and the Welsh Government response to it.

Yours sincerely,



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