

The Rt Hon. The Lord Goldsmith QC
Chair, House of Lords International Agreements Committee

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Dear Lord Goldsmith

International agreements

I would like to introduce myself as the Chair of the Senedd's Legislation, Justice and Constitution (LJC) Committee. The LJC Committee has taken on responsibility for some of the functions previously carried out by the Fifth Senedd's External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee. This includes the consideration of non-trade related international agreements and the monitoring of their implementation. Trade agreements now fall within the remit of the Senedd's Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee.

I am aware of the recent publication of your Committee's report on Working practices: one year on, and I welcome your commitment to seek to engage with the devolved legislatures and to reflect a UK-wide perspective on such matters. I also welcome your intention to continue to press in Westminster the issue of consultation with the devolved governments and legislatures, so that the views of the LJC Committee may be incorporated as far as possible in to the conclusions of the UK Parliament.

During our meeting on 13 September 2021 we considered eight international agreements, and agreed to take further action on seven of those agreements. Our subsequent report is enclosed, for your



information. Our intention is to publish similar reports each time we have considered such agreements, which we would be happy to share with you as a matter of course.

Yours sincerely,

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