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Dear Russell,

I am writing in response to your letter of 10 August regarding the UK Covid-19 Public Inquiry opening statement.

I do not believe that the announcements made by Baroness Hallett have materially changed the position as regards our role in the UK Inquiry. The Terms of Reference are very clear that the Inquiry will examine actions taken across the whole of the UK and Baroness Hallett has reiterated this in her opening statement. The provisional scope of module one is clear that it will examine the role of the devolved governments.

The Welsh Government has submitted its application for Core Participant status for module one and will make similar applications for future modules after consideration of the module scope, Rule 5 of the Inquiry Rules 2006 and the Covid-19 Inquiry's own Core Participant Protocol.

Reports from the Inquiry will be given careful consideration, as we do with all reports we receive and we will respond in a transparent way.

Yours sincerely



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