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Welsh Parliament

Finance Committee

Kenneth Gibson MSP Convener, Finance and Public Administration Committee Scottish Parliament

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Dear Kenneth

Finance Committee report: Post-EU funding arrangements

I would like to make you aware that the Finance Committee of the Senedd has conducted an inquiry into Post-EU funding arrangements. This was an initial deep-dive into that replacement funding and the level of funding due to be received in Wales and I am pleased to share our report with you.

Our report highlights the lack of clarity regarding the scrutiny of these Funds and how decisions relating to their application in Wales will be held accountable, including the Senedd's role in that process. I am also grateful to receive a copy of your letter to the UK Government, Secretary of State for Levelling Up. Housing and Communities regarding how these Funds are operating in Scotland and that there impact on the Scottish Government's spending plans will be a key element of your financial scrutiny.

As we agreed during the inaugural meeting of the Interparliamentary Finance Committee Forum in June, there are significant benefits to devolved nations working collaboratively on issues of common interest and concern. Given our



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Committees' mutual interest in considering these funds, I would be keen to explore these matter further during our next Forum meeting.

Yours sincerely

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Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

