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Dear Chair,

I understand that the Committee are very interested in the content of the recent Ernst and Young report and have asked if the Welsh Government were able to supply the Committee with a copy. I suggest that this request should be best directed to Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board, since it was they who commissioned the report. They will be best placed to make a judgement on how to respond to the Committee while at the same time taking account of any issues of confidentiality or employment rights which might be raised by disclosure. They will also be able to take account of the contractual basis with which the report was commissioned with Ernst and Young. The report is still on a very limited circulation within the Welsh Government and, while we certainly would not wish to be unhelpful to the Committee, we could not release it ourselves without the prior agreement of the Health Board.

Yours Sincerely,

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