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BY Vaughan Gething, Minister for Economy

In accordance with the inter-institutional relations agreement, I can report to Members that I attended the Inter-Ministerial Forum for Trade on 25 May.

The meeting was attended by:

- Minster Huddleston Minister of State at the Department for Business and Trade.
- Minister Lochead Scottish Minister for Small Business, Trade, and Innovation.
- Minister Davies Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Wales Office.

The Ministerial Forum for Trade provides the primary forum to discuss matters of trade policy between the UK government, Northern Ireland Executive, Scottish Government and Welsh Government.

In the forum, we discussed the latest updates on the ongoing Free Trade Agreement negotiations with India and Canada and the Memoranda of Understanding with a number of US States. A joint communique regarding the meeting will be published in due course.