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Dear Chair,

The Official Controls (Establishment Lists) (Revocation) Regulations 2023

I wish to inform the Committee that I am giving consent to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs to make the Official Controls (Establishment Lists) (Revocation) Regulations 2023.

The Regulations will be made under powers made using powers in Retained Regulation (EU) 2017/625 – the Official Controls Regulation

The purpose of the Regulations is to revoke restrictions placed on certain Brazilian food establishments. This will enable the previously restricted Brazilian food establishments to be added to the list of establishments approved to export to Great Britain, upon submission of an updated list of approved establishments by the Brazilian Competent authority.

I would like to reassure this Committee it is normally the policy of the Welsh Government to legislate for Wales in matters of devolved competence. However, in certain circumstances there are benefits in working collaboratively with the UK Government where there is a clear rationale for doing so. On this occasion, therefore, I am giving my consent to these Regulations for reasons of efficiency and expediency, and cross-government coordination and consistency.

The Regulations will be laid before the UK Parliament on 18 October 2023 using the negative procedure, and will come into force on 08 November 2023.

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

I have also written to the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee, Huw Irranca-Davies MS.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lesley Griffiths". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping 'L' and 'G'.

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