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TITLE **Inter-ministerial Group for Trade**

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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 Group for Trade on 29 November.

The meeting was also attended by:

- Minister Hands – Minister of State for Trade Policy, DBT, UK Government (MH)
- Minister Lochhead – Minister for Small Business, Trade and Innovation, Scottish Government
- Minister Barker – Minister of State for Northern Ireland
- Minister Jones – Minister of State for Wales.

The Inter-ministerial Group 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 meeting we discussed the ongoing negotiations with India, preparations for the upcoming WTO ministerial conference (MC13), as well as engagement between the devolved governments and UK government around the US MoU negotiations.