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Rt Hon Stuart Andrew & Julia Lopez
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Dear Stuart and Julia,

Your letter of 13 May addressed to the First Minister regarding the broadcast of Welsh Six Nations rugby matches has been passed to me to respond as broadcasting falls within my Ministerial portfolio.

The Welsh Government's position is very clear. The Six Nations competition should be broadcast free to air given the importance of rugby to our cultural identity as a nation. This was explored recently by the Senedd's Culture Committee and there was further cross-party agreement in the Senedd supporting this position.

I am extremely disappointed you are not planning to undertake a review of the listed events in recognition of the position in Wales. Making sport accessible is a clear priority for both our governments and we will continue to make the case for the Six Nations in this context.

Yours sincerely,

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