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The Rt Hon Peter Kyle MP

Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology

The Baroness Jones of Whitchurch

House of Lords

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## **Data (Use and Access) Bill**

Dear Secretary of State and Lady Jones of Whitchurch,

The Senedd's Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, Sport and International Relations Committee is currently scrutinising the Welsh Government's Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Data (Use and Access) Bill.

We believe that data-sharing between the UK and EU is a crucial element of post-Brexit UK-EU relations. We therefore share the Welsh Government's concerns about the potential loss of the UK's EU adequacy decisions and the potential for the Trade and Cooperation Agreement to be undermined in future should the Bill lead to UK-EU divergence.

The Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning, Rebecca Evans MS, wrote to us on 5 February 2025 saying that the "the UK Government has provided assurances that it sees no threat to the adequacy agreement by the Bill." The Cabinet Secretary notes in her letter, however, that the Welsh Government has "no evidence to prove or disprove this". We understand that Welsh Ministers have requested a copy of the UK Government's risk assessment on this matter but have not received it.

We are disappointed and concerned that this assessment has not been shared with the Welsh Government, and we believe that this should be rectified as a matter of urgency. We therefore ask that you share your risk assessment with the Welsh Government at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,



**Senedd Cymru  
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Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

