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Dear William,

I am writing in response to your letter of 30 May 2014 seeking my views on a petition presented to the Petitions Committee asking for the National Assembly of Wales to discuss the reintroduction of Welsh language classes in Rennes University.

As I have responsibility for the Welsh language portfolio I would be pleased to see Welsh classes reintroduced in Rennes University, especially given the firmly established relationship between Wales and Brittany.

However, regarding financial support for such a course, given the pressures on the Welsh Government's budget all expenditure must be carefully considered in order to maximise value for the people of Wales. It is therefore unlikely that the Welsh Government could fund a course in Rennes University but I would be interested in being kept abreast of any developments.

Yours sincerely

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