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Dear David,

I am writing to update you on progress with the Guidance to Welsh Government Departments on Liaison with the UK Government in Relation to Legislation. This is the Welsh Government's 'reciprocal guidance' which mirrors Devolution Guidance Notes 9 and 17.

In our response to the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee's review of the outcomes of its Inquiry into Powers granted to Welsh Ministers in UK Laws I reported that we had sent a copy of our draft guidance to the Wales Office for their consideration.

It has taken longer than anticipated to come to agreement on the final wording of the 'reciprocal guidance' but this has now been finalised and I am now able to share a copy with you.

Yours sincerely

CARWYN JONES