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Dear Bill

Thank you for your letter regarding a petition entitled '*Ban the Shooting of Greenland White-fronted Geese*'.

As you point out, the Minister of the time, Alun Davies AM, was prepared to reconsider his views on this topic if further scientific evidence came to light.

During the public consultation on this subject, shooting information from the Anglesey area was made available which covered the same period as that referred to in the current letter to you from the Welsh Ornithological Society. The most recent correspondence makes it clear that this is not additional material and there are therefore no grounds for reviewing the decision.

The petitioner also makes some general points regarding unofficial and anecdotal evidence of killing. The areas used by Greenland White-fronted Geese are heavily monitored by RSPB, Wildlife trusts, NRW, Wildfowling Groups and many amateur ornithologists, yet there have been no reports or suspicions of the kind he describes.

Yours sincerely

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