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**Wales Act 2017: Principal Appointed Day (PAD)**

Further to your letter of 18 August, I am writing to confirm that I am content for the Principal Appointed Day (PAD) to be the 1 April 2018. I have instructed my officials to proceed on that basis. They will of course work closely with your officials to ensure a smooth transition to the new devolution settlement.

I am copying this letter to the First Minister and have written to him in similar terms.

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