

Rebecca Evans MS

Minister for Finance and Local Government

16 October 2023

Dear Minister,

Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Economic Activity of Public Bodies (Overseas Matters) Bill

This Legislative Consent Memorandum (LCM) was considered by the Committee on 12 October 2023.

Following this consideration, please could you provide clarity on the following points:

- We agree with the Welsh Government's assessment that clauses 1 to 11, 14, 15 and 16 of the Bill require Senedd consent. However, the LCM does not indicate whether the Welsh Government believes consent is required for clauses 12 and 13. Please can you confirm your view on this and your reasons for your view?
- The Committee would appreciate further clarity about the interaction between clause 15 of the Bill and section 115 of the Procurement Bill. We note that the LCM indicates the Welsh Government's view that the clause modifies the ability of the Welsh Ministers to exercise the power in section 115 of the aforementioned Bill. Can you confirm your reasoning around this?

The Committee is due to report on the LCM by 24 November 2023. As such, we would appreciate if you could respond to this letter by 3 November 2023.

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.



Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Isherwood', is written over a horizontal line.

Mark Isherwood MS

Chair of the Public Accounts and Public Administration Committee

