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Dear Professor Watkin

Scrutiny of regulations made under the European Union (Withdrawal) Bill – operational matters

Following the publication of our report on the Scrutiny of regulations made under the European Union (Wales) Bill in February this year, we are now considering the operational matters that relate to the scrutiny of those regulations.

We have been giving consideration to the amendments agreed at the House of Lords report stage in relation to the Bill and the sifting mechanism that is to apply to regulations made under its provisions. In doing so, we have reflected on the evidence previously provided to us.

In light of changes agreed at report stage we would find it very useful if you could highlight any further issues you foresee, particularly relating to the scrutiny of regulations, which you think the Committee should consider. It would be particularly helpful if you were to identify where you believe scrutiny procedures could be strengthened. We will use this information in preparing our report to the Assembly and when questioning the Leader of the House, Julie James AM, when she provides evidence at our meeting on 11 June. We would therefore welcome your comments as soon as possible.

If you have any further comments to make about the Bill, particularly regarding the new clause 15 provision, we'd be grateful to receive them also.



I am copying this letter to the Wales Governance Centre, the Law Society and the Hansard Society.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mick Antoniw". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Mick Antoniw

Chair

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

