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Thank you for your letter of 8 October regarding the Food and Rural Affairs (Miscellaneous Revocations) Regulations. It is with apologies that a statement was not included within the Explanatory Memorandum in relation to why the Statutory Instrument was not made bilingually. As you note it is the Welsh Government's general practice to include this information in the Explanatory Memorandum; this was merely an unintentional oversight on this occasion. I will ensure officials are aware the Committee expects to see this information in the Explanatory Memorandum.

These Regulations were made on a composite basis; and were drafted by the UK Government. Composite statutory instruments are not made bilingually, as Parliament will not consider statutory instruments drafted in any language other than English. It was therefore not considered reasonable or practical to provide this instrument in the Welsh language.

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