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Dear David,

Thank you for your letter of 22 January requesting clarification of my response to Recommendation one of your recent report on the Brexit preparedness of Welsh Ports.

I was pleased to be able to provide detail on arrangements for managing traffic relating to Holyhead during the statement on transportation that I made in plenary on 22 January.

There remained commercial sensitivity over the arrangements when I responded to your report, as Welsh Government and our planning partners were at that stage still considering the merits of a number of sites for mitigating potential traffic disruption. Our aim was not to prejudice the assessment process or have any wider effect on the sites themselves whilst this consideration was ongoing.

As also outlined in my oral statement, current analysis indicates that delayed vehicles could be managed within the port environs for Pembroke Dock and Fishguard. However this is being kept under constant review in case extra contingency measures are needed. If it were considered extra measures were needed and there were sensitivities in respect of the options, I would consider sharing details in confidence with the Committee before arrangements were published.

Yours sincerely,

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