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Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee
National Assembly for Wales
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Dear Mr Antoniw,

State Aid (EU Exit) Regulations 2019

Thank you for your letter of 6 February and for bringing your concerns about the effect of the above Regulations on the devolution settlement and the legislative competency of the National Assembly for Wales to the attention of the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee (SLSC).

Sub-Committee B of the SLSC under its chairman Lord Cunningham of Felling considered the draft Regulations at its meeting on 5 February and decided to report them to the House on the ground of policy interest. A copy of the report is available on our website (15th Report, HL Paper 281).

While this means that the Committee has cleared the instrument from scrutiny, Sub-Committee B decided at its most recent meeting on 12 February to draw your concerns about the State Aid Regulations to the attention of the House by way of an information paragraph. This and a copy of your letter are included in the Committee's 16th Report (HL Paper 286), which is also available on our website. We would now expect the House to draw on the Committee's report and on the information provided in your letter when debating the instrument.

Yours sincerely
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Chairman of the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee