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Chair
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National Assembly for Wales
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Dear Mike

I wish to provide advanced notice I will be representing the Welsh Government at the Energy and Climate Change Inter-Ministerial Group (IMG) meeting. The meeting will take place in Manchester on 28 June 2019.

Representation at the meeting is expected as follows:

- UK Government - Chris Skidmore MP, Minister of State for Universities, Science, Research and Innovation and Interim Minister of State for Energy and Clean Growth.
- Scottish Government - Paul Wheelhouse MP, Minister for Energy, Connectivity and the Islands.
- Northern Ireland – Unknown, official representation

As yet, the agenda has not been agreed, however, I will use the meeting to drive progress in terms of developing UK-wide negotiating positions in relation to our Future Economic Partnership with the European Union. I will continue to emphasise the need for the Welsh Government to be directly involved in negotiations on matters devolved to Wales. It also provides an opportunity to discuss updated issues and arrangements under a no-deal scenario and enhance our relationship with the UK Government.

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

Following the meeting, I will produce a Written Statement which will provide members with a summary of the issues discussed and an outline of the positions advanced by the Welsh Government.

Regards
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