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Dear both

Breaches of the 21 day rule

At our meeting on 3 August 2020, we considered The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel and Public Health Information to Travellers) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2020, The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2020, The Coronavirus Act 2020 (Assured Tenancies and Assured Shorthold Tenancies, Extension of Notice Periods) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2020 and The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2020.

Our subsequent reports noted that the instruments were laid in **breach of the 21 day rule**, and the reasons for doing so as set out in the Minister for Finance and Trefnydd's respective letters to the Llywydd.

I wrote to you on 17 March 2020, and again on 1 and 8 July 2020, noting that Welsh Government breaches of the 21 day rule appear to be occurring with increasing regularity. As I said previously, we do not wish to see the practice of breaching the 21 day rule becoming normalised in any way.

We will continue to monitor the frequency and circumstances of future breaches of the 21 day rule in order to make a cumulative assessment at an appropriate future date.

Yours sincerely



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