

Llyr Gruffydd MS

Chair, Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee

10 June 2024

Dear Llyr,

UK/European Forest Institute: Host Country Agreement

As you are aware, the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee is responsible for monitoring the implementation of non-trade international agreements in the Sixth Senedd.

During our meeting on 7 May 2024, we considered the host country agreement between the UK Government and the European Forest Institute (EFI). This agreement provides the EFI with the privileges and immunities necessary for it to function effectively within the UK.

Although the matters covered by the agreement – namely the membership of international organisations and the conferral of privileges and immunities under international law – are reserved matters, we agreed to bring this agreement to the attention of your Committee given its interest in forestry as a devolved matter.

Our latest report, which was laid on 6 June 2024, is available [here](#).

Yours sincerely,



Mike Hedges

Chair

