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Dear Mike,

Thank you for your letter dated 4 March 2025 inviting me to attend the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee of the Senedd as Minister for Intergovernmental Relations.

As you may be aware, I have recently given evidence to both the Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee and the Lords Constitution Committee where members pursued lines of questioning in relation to my role.

While I appreciate I have not been before the Senedd, and will be unable to accept this invitation in the short term, my colleague Minister Alexander will be engaging constructively with the Interparliamentary Forum to ensure parity of engagement with colleagues across all of the devolved legislatures on intergovernmental relations.

I want to assure you I hold the Senedd in the highest esteem and offer my officials to support with any information it would be useful for the Committee to receive to help support its business.

Yours sincerely,

**The Rt Hon. Pat McFadden MP
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