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Mike Hedges MS
Chair
Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee
Welsh Parliament
Cardiff Bay
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Dear Mike,

In accordance with the inter-institutional relations agreement, I wanted to report on the latest meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Group for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on 24 November 2025.

I chaired the meeting which was attended by Jim Fairlie MSP, Minister for Agriculture and Connectivity of the Scottish Government, and Gillian Martin MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Energy also for the Scottish Government. Andrew Muir MLA, Minister of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs attended for the Northern Ireland Executive. The UK Government was represented by Emma Reynolds MP, Secretary of State for Environment Food and Rural Affairs, and Baroness Sue Hayman, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State at the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

I have issued a Written Ministerial Statement summarising the discussions.

I have also copied this letter to the Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee and the Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs committee.

Yours sincerely,

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