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Mike Hedges MS
Chair
Legislative, Justice and Constitution Committee
Welsh Parliament

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Dear Mike,

Thank you for your letter of 6 March regarding the UK Government's review of the United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020 ('the Act').

I am pleased to hear the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee will be submitting a response to the consultation. It is important the UK Government hears from the Senedd to understand the implications and potential solutions to the issues created by the Act for devolved governments and legislatures.

I have engaged directly with the UK Government on the Act and the related review. This includes specific discussions at the Interministerial Standing Committee and bilateral discussions with Pat McFadden MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Douglas Alexander MP, Minister for Trade Policy and Economic Security, who is leading this work. My officials are engaged with their UK Government counterparts to discuss the review, including the consultation and next steps.

We expect to continue detailed discussions with UK Government over the coming months and I hope this will ultimately lead to an agreement for meaningful change.

I would be pleased to keep the Committee informed on the progress of discussions where I can, and I will write to the Committee more fully once we have further information on the outcome of the review.

Yours sincerely,

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