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Dear David,

The implications of the UK's withdrawal from the European Union for Scotland

I am writing to update you on the work that the Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee has been undertaking in relation to the implications of the UK's withdrawal from the European Union for Scotland.

The Committee has published two research reports that it commissioned: one on [the Implications of EU withdrawal for the devolution settlement](#) by Professor Alan Page; and one on the [Long-term economic implications of Brexit](#) by the Fraser of Allander Institute.

In addition, the Committee's advisers have prepared a number of briefings which may be of interest to you. Professor Sionaidh Douglas-Scott has prepared briefings on the [Article 50 Treaty on European Union Lawsuit and Scotland](#), on [Treaties, Devolution and Brexit](#), and on the [Great Repeal Bill](#). Professor Michael Keating has prepared a briefing on [Types of trade agreement](#).

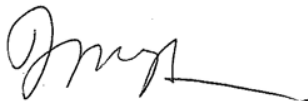
The Committee had a significant response to its call for evidence and I attach a list of links to written submissions which are relevant to your Committee's remit and which may be useful in your Committee's work—

- [Chemical Sciences Scotland \(CSS\)](#)
- [Church and Society Council](#)
- [Historic Environment Scotland](#)
- [RSPB Scotland](#)
- [Scottish Association for Marine Science](#)
- [Scottish Environment LINK](#)
- [Scottish Natural Heritage](#)
- [Scottish Wildlife Trust](#)
- [The Woodland Trust Scotland](#)

In addition, the Committee has taken evidence from the First Minister, the Minister for UK Negotiations on Scotland's Place in Europe, the Secretary of State for Scotland, MEPs and experts on intergovernmental relations. In the coming months, the Committee intends to focus its inquiry work on possible future trade relationships, migration and the rights of EU citizens.

I would be grateful for the opportunity to meet you in order to discuss Brexit and any work that your Committee intends to undertake in the coming months and how this can link in with the Scottish Parliament's EU Strategy.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joan McAlpine', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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