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Dear Convener,

**THE PROPOSED RETAINED EU LAW (REVOCATION AND REFORM) ACT
(CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) REGULATIONS 2024
EU EXIT LEGISLATION – PROTOCOL WITH SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT**

I am writing in relation to the protocol on obtaining the approval of the Scottish Parliament to proposals by the Scottish Ministers to consent to the making of UK secondary legislation affecting devolved areas arising from EU Exit.

That protocol, as agreed between the Scottish Government and the Parliament, accompanied the letter from the then Cabinet Secretary for Government Business and Constitutional Relations, Michael Russell MSP, to the Conveners of the Finance & Constitution and Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committees on 4 November 2020 and replaced the previous protocol that was put in place in 2018.

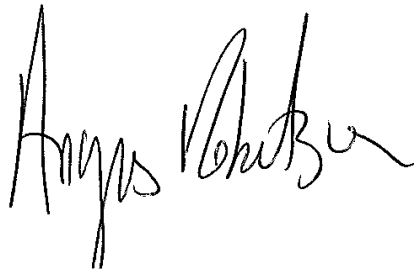
I attach a Type 1 notification which sets out the details of the SI which the UK Government propose to make and the reasons why I am content that Scottish devolved matters are to be included in this SI. Please note, the draft SI is not available in the public domain at this stage. We will, in accordance with the protocol, advise you when the final SI is laid and advise you as to whether the final SI is in keeping with the terms of this notification.

This notification follows my notification of 7 September 2023 on the draft [Retained EU Law \(Revocation and Reform\) Act 2023 \(Consequential Amendment\) Regulations 2023](#). Whilst at the point of sending in that notification no UK Minister had written to seek agreement to proceed on the original SI, I welcome that on 18 September a request for consent did arrive, and that subsequently a request for the No. 2 instrument has recently arrived.

I am copying this letter to the Convener of the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee.

I look forward to hearing from you by Thursday 18 January 2024.

Yours sincerely ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Angus Robertson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'A' and a stylized 'R'.

ANGUS ROBERTSON