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Dear Cabinet Secretary

Budget 2024-25

Further to your evidence to the Committee last week, we would be grateful if you could keep us informed of the further details of the increased culture funding by £100m e.g., what the years subsequent to 2025-26 can be expected to deliver.

Given the concerns of the sector expressed to us during pre-budget scrutiny, as well as from the evidence we took this month, and as you noted in your own opening remarks, "there remains a need for longer-term clarity and confidence".

You will be aware that the Committee has agreed to take a cumulative approach to our budget scrutiny over Session 6. This will inform the call for views which we will issue in June when we begin our pre-budget scrutiny for 2025-26.

We look forward to hearing from you with any of the further details of the £100m that you are able to provide to the Committee.

Yours sincerely

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