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Dear Claire

**PROGRAMME FOR COMPETITIVENESS OF ENTERPRISES AND SMALL AND MEDIUM-SIZED ENTERPRISES (REVOCATION) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019; EUROPEAN GROUPING OF TERRITORIAL COOPERATION (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2020; PROHIBITION ON QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2020**

**EU EXIT LEGISLATION – PROTOCOL WITH SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT**

The Scottish Parliament agreed on the dates below that it was content for Scottish Ministers to give their consent to the UK SIs listed below, including Scottish devolved matters, as set out in the relevant notifications to the Parliament:

- 19/03/2019 - *Programme for Competitiveness of Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (COSME) EU Exit Legislation*
- 03/09/2019 - *European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation (EU Exit) Regulations 2020*
- 10/11/2020 - *Prohibition on Quantitative Restrictions (EU Exit) Regulations 2020*

The *Competitiveness of Enterprises and Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (Revocation) (EU Exit) Regulations* were made by the UK Government on 16 May 2019 and the *Prohibition on Quantitative Restrictions (EU Exit) Regulations 2020* on 21 December 2020, both under the *European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018*. I can confirm that these SIs **are consistent with the consent granted**.

The UK Government decided not to make the planned *European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation (EU Exit) Regulations 2020*.

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I apologise for not notifying you earlier. This correspondence is being sent to you now as the Scottish Government is taking steps, as part of a review of the operation of the SI Protocol, to ensure a comprehensive audit trail is in place for each SI notification.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard Lochhead". The signature is written in a cursive style and is centered on the page.

**RICHARD LOCHHEAD**

cc.  
Stuart McMillan MSP  
Convener  
Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee  
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