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The UK Government's proposed Common Procurement Vocabulary (Amendment) Regulations 2023 engage the protocol agreed with the Scottish Parliament in relation to UK secondary legislation affecting devolved areas previously within the competence of the EU.

That protocol, as agreed between the Scottish Government and then 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 2 notification which sets out the details of the SI which the UK Government proposes to make and the reasons why I am content that Scottish devolved matters are to be included in this SI. I will, in accordance with the protocol, advise you when the final SI is laid and advise you as to whether it is in keeping with the terms of this notification.

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

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