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### Changes to the Scottish Ministerial Team

I am writing to you following the First Minister's letter of 30 June to the Presiding Officer, which outlined the changes to the Scottish Ministerial Team as Kate Forbes, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy, takes maternity leave.

I wish to inform you that, in addition to my role as Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Veterans, I have taken on ministerial responsibilities for resilience from my colleague the Deputy First Minister, for the period of Ms Forbes' maternity leave.

I look forward to working with you and your committee members on resilience matters over the coming months.

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