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Dear Joan

SCREEN UNIT

I would like to provide some clarification on the timeline that officials across Scottish Government and the relevant agencies (Creative Scotland, Scottish Enterprise, Skills Development Scotland, Scottish Funding Council, and Highlands and Islands Enterprise) are working to on creating a Screen Unit for Scotland.

As I said in committee, this work has entered a new phase with inter-agency agreement to a short-life project to develop a joint proposal for how the Screen Unit ambition might best be delivered.

This approach should equip Creative Scotland to present to Ministers, in late autumn, a collaborative blueprint for a Screen Unit which will allow us to start implementation by the end of this year, with the aim of having the screen unit up and running by the end of this financial year.

I look forward to the outcome of the project and to it paving the way for early establishment of an effective Screen Unit.

Yours sincerely,

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