Thank you for your letter of 16 February, regarding answers I gave in relation to Scotland specific EU Exit analysis at the CTEER Committee on 2 November 2017.

The UK Government has been clear that we are undertaking a comprehensive and evolving programme of analytical work, examining all areas of the UK economy. With regard to the existence of Scotland specific analysis, my responses to the CTEER Committee were given in relation to the sectoral analysis of 58 sectors, which at the time of my appearance had been debated and voted on in the House of Commons but not yet shared with the Exiting the European Union Committee. Therefore, I am satisfied with the evidence I gave to your Committee at that time.

The analysis which was leaked and subsequently released to MPs and MSPs was provisional internal analysis, and does not represent UK Government policy and models scenarios that the UK Government has explicitly ruled out. It is analysis of existing trade relationships - none of which are the outcome the UK Government is working towards. As the Prime Minister set out in her speech on 2 March, the UK Government is seeking an unprecedented, comprehensive and ambitious economic partnership in the mutual interest of the UK and EU. This analysis does not represent that preferred scenario.

As the letter of 5 March from the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union has outlined, we would of course both be happy to appear in front of the committee again at a mutually agreeable date.