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Dear Mike

#### **EUROPEAN PRIORITIES 2012-13 AND BRUSSELS ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMME**

The Executive agreed an Implementation Report on its 2011-12 European Priorities and its European Priorities for 2012-13 on 17 May.

We will be publishing these on 28 May following a statement to the Assembly. The statement will also report on the Brussels Engagement Programme undertaken by the Barroso Task Force Working Group (27-29 March).

Please find attached advance copies of the Ministerial Statement and both European Priorities documents referenced above. We have embargoed these until 12.00 noon on 28 May and circulation beyond the Committee is therefore restricted until that time.

We thank the Committee for its previous feedback on the draft 2012-13 European Priorities statement and look forward to continuing to work together to maximise our European success over the coming year.

Yours sincerely

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