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Dear Christine

## Call for Evidence - Justice (Sexual Offences and Trafficking Victims) Bill

Thank you for your letter of 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021 seeking comments on the above Bill which is due to commence its Committee Stage in September.

Whilst the Bill has no direct impact on the responsibilities of the Department for Infrastructure, my Minister welcomes the Bill given the protections it will afford to victims of sexual offences and trafficking. I therefore have no specific concerns or issues with the Bill as Introduced.

Yours sincerely,

**KATRINA GODFREY**