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Dear Daithí

As you know the UK Government has sought a legislative consent motion with regard to a number of provisions in the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Bill and there have been ongoing discussions on the issues.

After careful consideration I have asked the Executive to agree to pursue a LCM in respect of a number of the provisions in the Bill.

If my request is accepted, the legislative consent memorandum will be immediately laid and the Committee will be asked to prepare the report for which Standing Order 42A provides. I have asked my officials to provide every assistance to the Committee in the preparation of that report and they stand ready to provide briefing as and when required.

Yours sincerely

SAMMY WILSON MP MLA