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14 August 2025

Dear Christopher,

**COM/2023/224 Proposal for a Regulation on compulsory licensing for crisis management**

I write further to your letter dated 03 July 2025.

Regarding the above proposal for a Regulation, the Government is continuing its analysis of the act as it progresses through the EU's legislative bodies. We note the European Council's negotiating mandate on this file, which was adopted on 26 June 2024, and if reflected in the final text, would exclude Northern Ireland from a number of provisions contained within the current proposal.

As the proposal has not yet completed its passage, the Government is unable to make a final assessment of which elements would qualify as relevant amendments or replacements to existing EU legislation already present within the Windsor Framework. Upon publication of the final act, we will provide an explanatory memorandum which sets out the view of the Government. Until that point it will quite properly remain a matter for the EU institutions to undertake the relevant processes so that the legislation may be finalised and published.

We would draw the Committee's attention to existing EU legislation contained within the annexes of the Windsor Framework as providing for matters of compulsory licensing. On this basis, we presently anticipate relevant updates to this legislation to engage Article 13(3) of the Windsor Framework. A determination on these issues will be made when the legislation is finalised.

I trust this information will be of assistance to the Committee.

**PAUL FLYNN**

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Edmund Ramsden,  
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Issued via email to: [wftf-sq@cabinetoffice.gov.uk](mailto:wftf-sq@cabinetoffice.gov.uk)

Dear Edmund,

**COM/2023/224 Proposal for a Regulation on compulsory licensing for crisis management**

At its meeting 26 June 2025, the Windsor Framework Democratic Scrutiny Committee (DSC) agreed to request clarity from the UK Government on which parts (if any) of the abovementioned proposed EU act – based on the [text](#) provisionally agreed between the European Parliament and the Council of the European Union on 13 June 2025 - would be within scope of Article 13(3) the Windsor Framework, and would therefore be notified to the DSC.

If possible, I would appreciate a response by 14 August 2025.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christopher Dickison".

**Christopher Dickison, Senior Assistant Clerk  
Windsor Framework Democratic Scrutiny Committee**