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## Rt Hon Nick Thomas-Symonds MP Paymaster General and Minister for the Cabinet Office

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Nick, a chara,

At its meeting on 9 January 2025, the Windsor Framework Democratic Scrutiny Committee (DSC) considered Regulation (EU) 2024/3110 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 November 2024 laying down harmonised rules for the marketing of construction products and repealing Regulation (EU) No 305/2011. This act was notified to the DSC on 2 January 2025.

The DSC decided to hold an inquiry into the replacement EU act, pursuant to paragraph 8(1) of Schedule 6B to the Northern Ireland Act 1998.

Under paragraph 9(2)(a), the DSC must seek substantive discussion and engagement with the British Government. Therefore, the Committee is requesting your assessment of:

- Whether it appears likely that the application of the replacement EU act would have a significant impact specific to everyday life of communities here in a way that is liable to persist; and
- Whether it appears likely that not applying the replacement EU act would have a significant impact specific to everyday life of communities here in a way that is liable to persist.

In considering the potential for divergence, the Committee also requests details of the position in England, Scotland and Wales.

I would appreciate a response by Monday 20 January 2025 at 11.00am.

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