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Dear Tom and Simon,

LEGISLATIVE CONSENT MOTION

I am writing to notify you that, on 3 March 2026, the Northern Ireland Assembly agreed a Legislative Consent Motion relating to the Universal Credit (Removal of Two Child Limit) Bill, currently under consideration at Westminster.

I attach an extract from our Official Report for the relevant sitting. Full details can be found at:

<https://aims.niassembly.gov.uk/officialreport/report.aspx?&eveDate=2026/03/03&docID=473425#5414118>

Yours sincerely

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OFFICIAL REPORT – TUESDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2026

Universal Credit (Removal of Two Child Limit) Bill: Legislative Consent Motion

Mr Lyons (The Minister for Communities): **I beg to move**

That this Assembly agrees, in line with section 87 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998, to the principle of the extension to Northern Ireland of the provisions of the Universal Credit (Removal of Two Child Limit) Bill relating to the removal of the two-child limit as contained in clauses 2 and 3 of the Bill, which was introduced in the House of Commons on 8 January 2026.

Question put and agreed to.

Resolved:

That this Assembly agrees, in line with section 87 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998, to the principle of the extension to Northern Ireland of the provisions of the Universal Credit (Removal of Two Child Limit) Bill relating to the removal of the two-child limit as contained in clauses 2 and 3 of the Bill, which was introduced in the House of Commons on 8 January 2026.