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Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee

Rt Hon George Eustice MP Minister of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

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Dear George,

Meeting with the Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee

I wanted to thank you for meeting the Committee on 2 May.

We found it very useful to discuss the future of agricultural funding post Brexit; the need for Wales to have an equal voice in any future environmental governance arrangements and access to markets for Welsh produce.

As you know, it is vital for Welsh producers and food processors to have tariff and quota free access to European markets. This affects the fishing industry in particular, due to the need to ensure the time to market is not unduly extended.

The Committee hopes to maintain this constructive dialogue in future. I would like to invite you to attend a meeting of ours in the Autumn Term to discuss the UK Government's Agriculture and Fisheries Bills. I do hope you will be able to attend.

Yours sincerely,

Mike Hedges AM

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Chair of Climate Change, Rural Affairs and Environment Committee

