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Dear Minister

CLA31 - The National Curriculum (Assessment Arrangements on Entry to the Foundation Phase) (Wales) Order 2011

CLA32 - The National Curriculum (End of Foundation Phase Assessment Arrangements and Revocation of the First Key Stage Assessment Arrangements) (Wales) Order 2011

Thank you for your reply of 4 October to my letter of 27 September. The Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee considered your letter at its meeting on 17 October.

The Committee was grateful for your clarification that Ministers do not have any current intention to use the powers under article 5 and noted that any future provisions made using this power will be published on the internet. However, Committee Members also noted that this falls somewhat short of informing Assembly Members in a written statement as I suggested in my original letter.

The Committee agreed that I should ask you to ensure that, if this power is used, Ministers will write to the Chair of the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee to inform him or her of its use. I hope you will be able to agree that this is neither an onerous nor an unreasonable request.

Yours sincerely

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Chair, Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee