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Dear Convener

Thank you for your letter dated 20 May 2022 and the recommendations that the Committee has provided following their scrutiny of the Public Health Protection and Health Security common framework.

As you will be aware, the UK Parliament, Senedd Cymru and Northern Ireland Assembly are also undertaking scrutiny of the framework(s), and we will need to wait for their Committees to complete scrutiny before we can provide a response to your recommendations. I will therefore write to you again once the recommendations have been received from all UK legislatures and the four governments have reached agreement on the changes to be made to the frameworks in response to these.

I would also like to take this opportunity to highlight to you the **Scottish Government's** response to the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee's report on the UK Internal Market and its particular relevance to common frameworks.

Yours sincerely,

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