

Rural Affairs, Islands and Natural Environment Committee

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By email only

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Dear Secretary of State,

On behalf of the Rural Affairs, Islands and Natural Environment Committee, I would like to congratulate you on your recent appointment to Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

On 18 May 2022, your predecessor the Rt Hon George Eustice MP, provided evidence to the Committee on the impact of EU exit on agriculture and fisheries policy. Committee members found the evidence session helpful in understanding the wider UK context for policy development in Scotland post-EU exit and would welcome the opportunity to discuss this with you in more detail.

The Committee meets on Wednesday mornings during the parliamentary term and would be happy to accommodate you either in person or virtually. If Wednesday morning is not convenient, the Committee clerks can liaise with your officials to find a suitable alternative.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Finlay Carson MSP

Convener

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