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Regulation establishing Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (Council document 9865/18) (39882)

We considered your predecessor's letters of 21 October 2019 and 21 December 2019 regarding the proposed Horizon Europe Regulation at our meeting of xxx.

We note that the matters of budget and third country participation remain outstanding but note the Government's continued commitment to research collaboration with the EU under the future relationship.

Based on the information available to you — which we appreciate will be more limited than it previously was — we would welcome information on the progress of the EU's deliberations concerning third country participation in Horizon Europe. We would ask that you explain how that progress is informing the UK's own position on association.

We look forward to receiving your response by the end of April 2020.

We are copying this letter to the Earl of Kinnoull, Chair of the EU Select Committee in the House of Lords and Christopher Johnson, Clerk of the Lords EU Select Committee; your Departmental EU Scrutiny team; and Les Saunders and Donald Harris in the Cabinet Office.

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