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Dear James,

Thank you for the Government response dated 30 May 2022 to the report by the House of Lords Sub-Committee on the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland on *Scrutiny of EU legislative proposals within the scope of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland*. The Committee considered the response at its meeting on 8 June 2022.

We look forward to the opportunity to debate the report, and the Government's response, on the floor of the House. In the meantime we will remain in dialogue with you and your officials about the issues raised in the report, to which the Committee continues to attach great importance. In the meantime, we would be grateful for your response to one specific question: is the Government keeping, as the Committee would urge, or is it planning to keep, an audit or log of all EU legislation, as amended or replaced, applying to Northern Ireland which give rise to issues of regulatory divergence between Great Britain and the EU? If so, will the Government share this log with the Committee, and/or make it publicly available?

We would be grateful for a response by 23 June 2022.

Yours sincerely,

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Chair of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland Sub-Committee