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Dear Martin,

EM 6816/20: Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, Regulation (EU) No 1301/2013 and Regulation (EU) No 508/2014 as regards specific measures to mobilise investments in the health care systems of the Member States and in other sectors of their economies in response to the COVID-19 outbreak

EM 7154/20: Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 and Regulation (EU) No 1301/2013 as regards specific measures to provide exceptional flexibility for the use of the European Structural and Investments Funds in response to the COVID-19 outbreak

Thank you for your letter dated 5 June on the above Regulations, which was considered by our Environment Sub-Committee on 30 September.

Thank you for your explanation of how the Managing Authorities are assessing how best to invest the funds, and your assurance that low carbon investments remain a priority.

We note your explanation that the Regulations apply only to funding that has already been allocated; and that BEIS represents the UK at the relevant Task Force Meetings.

We are now content to close this correspondence.

I am copying this letter to Sir William Cash MP, Chair of the Commons European Scrutiny Committee; Jessica Mulley, Clerk of the Commons European Scrutiny Committee; Les Saunders, Cabinet Office; and the BEIS Parliamentary Scrutiny Team.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kinnoull', with a horizontal line underneath.

Lord Kinnoull
Chair of the European Union Committee