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Dear Caroline,

We are writing to update you, as Chair of the Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee, on the Government's work on music streaming, which was launched in response to your Committee's recommendations following its 2021 inquiry into the economics of music streaming.

Our response to your Committee's follow-up report on 27 March 2023 outlined the Government's progress alongside responses to your recommendations. Since then, we are pleased to share that, in collaboration with industry, significant progress has been made on the transparency workstream.

Music industry bodies representing creators, labels, publishers, digital service providers, distributors and collecting societies have now agreed the text of a '*UK Voluntary Code of Good Practice on Transparency in Music Streaming*' and this is to be published imminently on gov.uk.

The Intellectual Property Office (IPO) will then continue working with industry bodies on implementation of the Code, aiming for it to come into force by July 2024. The IPO will also oversee Code compliance, including a first review of implementation in early 2025 followed by a formal review of progress in 2026.

Yours sincerely,

Julia Lopez MP
Minister for Media, Tourism and Creative Industries

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