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Dear Angus,

Free Trade Agreement between the United Kingdom, and Norway, Iceland, and Liechtenstein

I am pleased to inform you that the new arrangements for trade between the UK and Liechtenstein under the Free Trade Agreement between the United Kingdom, and Norway, Iceland, and Liechtenstein (the "Agreement"), will come into effect on 1 January.

The Agreement will create a new services and investment trade relationship between the UK and Liechtenstein, complementing the coverage provided for trade in goods between the two countries via the UK-Swiss trade agreement.

As with Norway with whom the arrangements came into effect on 1 December, British businesses will benefit from cutting-edge digital provisions that limit unnecessary paperwork. Electronic documents, contracts and signatures will also mean goods can move seamlessly across borders, saving exporters both time and money. Business travellers can also benefit from guaranteed visa processing times, and innovative FinTech firms will be able to provide novel financial services into Liechtenstein, without having to provide that service elsewhere first, helping the United Kingdom to maintain its status as a financial services hub.

We are provisionally applying the Agreement so that businesses and consumers can benefit from the vast majority of the new commitments whilst we await completion of legislation to support implementation of new market access provisions on procurement. We expect this legislation to conclude early next year, paving the way for entry into force of the Agreement.

We look forward to implementing the Agreement with Iceland in the coming months once their internal procedures are completed following the appointment of a new government.

Yours ever,

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