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Dear Rebecca

Thank you for your letter in relation to the nomination of a representative from Sport Wales to sit on the Board of UK Sport.

As I am sure you are aware, UK Sport's Royal Charter makes provision for representatives from each of the Home Nations sports councils to sit on the Board of UK Sport. By the terms of the Charter, the responsibility for nominating these representatives lies with the Secretaries of State of the respective Territorial Offices (with the exception of Scotland).

I understand from my officials that the nomination of the Wales representative has in the past come directly from the Minister for Culture, Sport and Tourism in the Welsh government. However, I also understand from my officials that they informed your officials, both in writing and verbally, that the nomination from now on must come directly from the Secretary of State for Wales, to ensure that we are complying with the provisions of the Charter. As you will be aware the Secretary of State has nominated [redacted], and I intend to approve this nomination.

In relation to your suggestion that a Sport Cabinet meeting is convened as soon as possible, I am happy to assure you that DCMS remains keen to improve coordination and share best practice with the devolved nations through the Sports Cabinet. We are in contact with devolved nation officials to explore possible meeting dates to convene the Sports Cabinet in anticipation of a Northern Ireland Government being established by the time this meeting is due to take place.

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