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Clare Adamson MSP
Convener, Constitution, Europe, External
Affairs and Culture Committee
The Scottish Parliament
BY EMAIL

Dear Clare,

STV News proposals

Thank you for your continued engagement regarding STV's proposed changes to their news provision. I am writing further to my letter of 6 October and following recent conversation with your Clerks who helpfully shared the Official Report of your recent evidence session on this topic.

I can confirm that Ofcom has now received STV's formal submission detailing the proposed changes they are seeking that would require variations to both the STV North and STV Central licences. We are currently analysing the submission and aim to publish a consultation on the proposals by the end of the year.

We are not yet in a position to confirm how long any consultation will be open for, not least as we are still in the early stages of our analysis, and that decision will be taken in line with Ofcom's published <u>consultation principles</u> as you acknowledge.

We would be very happy to appear in front of the Committee during the consultation period. I will continue to keep your Clerks updated with our progress and work with them to find a suitable date for an evidence session in due course.

Yours sincerely,

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