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Dear Convener,

**THE OFFICIAL CONTROLS (EXTENSION OF TRANSITIONAL PERIODS)
(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2025 (DEFRA OFC/023)
EU EXIT LEGISLATION – PROTOCOL WITH SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT**

The Scottish Parliament agreed on 31 March 2025 that it was content for Scottish Ministers to give their consent to the Official Controls (Extension of Transitional Periods) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 including Scottish devolved matters, as set out in the notification to the Parliament.

The Official Controls (Extension of Transitional Periods) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 were made on 28 April 2025 in exercise of powers conferred by Article 144(6) of, and paragraph 2 of Annex 6 to, Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council on official controls and other official activities performed to ensure the application of food and feed law, rules on animal health and welfare, plant health and plant protection products (the Official Controls Regulation). I can now confirm that this SI is consistent with the consent granted.

I am copying this letter to the Convener of the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee.

Yours sincerely,

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