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Dear John

### **Legislative Consent: United Kingdom Internal Market Bill – UK Legislation**

I am writing to notify you that, on 7 October 2020, the Scottish Parliament agreed not to consent to the United Kingdom Internal Market Bill, which is currently under consideration at Westminster.

Given the Bill is of significance and interest to all parts of the UK, I am also writing today to Ed Ollard, Clerk of the Parliaments, Manon Antoniazzi, Clerk/Chief Executive of the Senedd and Lesley Hogg, Clerk/Chief Executive of the Northern Ireland Assembly, to inform them of the Scottish Parliament's decision.

I attach the associated memorandum and extract of the Minutes of Proceedings.

**DAVID MCGILL**  
Clerk/Chief Executive

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**Parliamentary Year 5, No. 51, Session 5**

**Meeting of the Parliament**

**Wednesday 7 October 2020**

Note: (DT) signifies a decision taken at Decision Time.

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

**5. United Kingdom Internal Market Bill – UK Legislation:** The Cabinet Secretary for the Constitution, Europe and External Affairs (Michael Russell) moved S5M-22955—That the Parliament agrees not to consent to the United Kingdom Internal Market Bill, as it reduces and constrains the competence of the Scottish Parliament and breaches international law.

Dean Lockhart moved amendment S5M-22955.1—

As an amendment to motion S5M-22955 in the name of Michael Russell (United Kingdom Internal Market Bill - UK Legislation), leave out from “not to consent” to end and insert “to consent to the United Kingdom Internal Market Bill, as it will protect 550,000 jobs and livelihoods across Scotland during an unprecedented economic crisis, deliver significant new powers to the Scottish Parliament and secure additional direct investment from the UK Government in Scotland.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 28, Against 90, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 90, Against 28, Abstentions 0).

The meeting closed at 7.37 pm.

**David McGill**  
Clerk of the Parliament  
7 October 2020