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Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee

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Dear Mr Wheelhouse,

The Scotland Act 1998 (Insolvency Functions) Order 2017

Thank you for your letter of 20 October regarding the Scotland Act (Insolvency Functions) Order 2017.

In your letter you stated that in the event that the Scottish government gives its agreement to the UK government exercising functions conferred by the Order to make subordinate legislation in relation to winding up in Scotland, the Scottish Government would give a commitment to write to the Committee to advise that such an agreement is being given.

I am writing to seek an assurance that the Committee would be advised *in advance* of such an agreement being given in time to allow the Committee to examine the matter before the Order is made.

I would be grateful if you could respond before the Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee meeting on 31 October at which the instrument will be considered.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Gordon Lindhurst". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "G" and "L".

Gordon Lindhurst MSP
Convener