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Dear Judith Pharoah

**Anticipated UK Healthcare (International Arrangements) Bill – Legislative Consent Memorandum**

The Health and Sport Committee is expecting to be referred a Legislative Consent Memorandum in respect of the UK Government Healthcare (International Arrangements) Bill.

To assist with the Committee's scrutiny it would be helpful if you could answer the following questions:

- 1. How are costs reimbursed by the DWP/Department of Health to NHS boards (or NHS Scotland) for treating non-UK European Economic (EEA) individuals through the EHIC Incentive Scheme?**
- 2. How does the DWP/Department of Health collect the 'charges' for treating Scottish individuals who are resident in, studying in, or visiting an EEA country?**

The Committee has a very tight timescale to conduct this scrutiny. Unfortunately, this results in a tight deadline for responding to this correspondence. To assist our work a response by **5pm on Tuesday 4 December** would be much appreciated.

Yours sincerely

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