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Dear Mr Ireland

Economic data inquiry

Further to you and your colleagues coming to the Committee last week to contribute to our economic data inquiry, I would like to follow up on a handful of points:

- SFC's collaborative work with HMRC was mentioned, in the context of "tax-motivated incorporation" but also behavioural responses and tax avoidance. Could you provide more details on this and on any specific recommendations in that area you may wish to make to the Committee?
- Your colleague David Wilson indicated you could provide a note on the accessibility and quality of the information from a number of organisations who provide data and with whom you have links e.g. Registers of Scotland and the Civil Aviation Authority. Could you provide a detailed list of costs for all the statistics that the SFC purchases?
- Mairi Spowage indicated you could provide more information on the question of the range of figures used by a number of sources to suggest the number of additional rate taxpayers in Scotland.

Kind regards

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Convener