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## Dear Mick

I am writing to inform you that I have laid a statutory instrument consent memorandum ("the memorandum") in relation to The Common Fisheries Policy (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 ("the Regulations") which were made by the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for the Environment, on 14 October. The Regulations contain amendments to the Marine & Coastal Access Act 2009 which include provision for Wales.

The purpose of the Regulations is to ensure existing CFP legislation is converted into retained EU law on IP completion day. The 2020 Regulations ensure that the relevant rules contained within the legislation continue to apply to UK fishing vessels wherever they are, subject to different rules stemming from international agreements, and that those same rules continue to apply to all fishing vessels operating within UK waters.

I have laid the memorandum in accordance with the requirement under Standing Order (SO) 30A. I consider the Regulations to be a relevant statutory instrument because they make provision in relation to Wales amending primary legislation within the legislative competence of the Senedd, which is not an incidental, consequential, transitional, transitory, supplementary or savings provision relating to matters that are not within the legislative competence of the Senedd.

Regards

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