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Dear Convener,

**WELFARE OF ANIMALS (TRANSPORT) (MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS)
REGULATIONS 2023
EU EXIT LEGISLATION – PROTOCOL WITH SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT**

The Scottish Parliament agreed on 1st March 2023 that it was content for Scottish Ministers to give their consent to the Welfare of Animals (Transport) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023 including Scottish devolved matters, as set out in the notification to the Parliament.

The Welfare of Animals (Transport) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023 were made on 8th March 2023 and brings the official controls relating to animal welfare in transport under the same regime as other official controls for animal health and welfare. These regulations were laid on the 9th March 2023. I can now confirm that this SI is consistent with the consent granted.

This correspondence is being sent to you now as the Scottish Government is taking steps, as part of a review of the operation of the SI Protocol, to ensure a comprehensive audit trail is in place for each SI notification.

I am copying this letter to the Convener of the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee.

Yours Sincerely

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