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Dear Ms Chapman,

Thank you for your letter of 1 March, on behalf of the Welsh Assembly enclosing the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee's Report on the BBC Charter Review.

The Government welcomes the Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee's Report on the BBC Charter Review. As with the reports from the UK Parliament Select Committees and from other Devolved Parliament's Committees, the findings and recommendations set out by the Committee will be fully considered within my department's on-going review of the BBC's existing Charter.

The Department has also undertaken and commissioned a range of reviews, studies and research, alongside the public consultation, the results of which were published on 1st March.

The Committee's conclusions will form a valuable part of this wider programme of evidence gathering for Charter Review, as will our on-going discussion and debates.

I hope that this is helpful.

Yours sincerely
John Whittingdale

The Rt Hon John Whittingdale OBE MP
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