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Graham

Thank you for your letter of 5 February 2015 to Nicola Sturgeon MSP, First Minister of Scotland, enclosing a copy of the Political and Constitutional Reforms Committee's report 'Voter Engagement in the UK: follow up'.

In my letter of 28 January 2015 I outlined the Scottish Government's approach to addressing the issues highlighted in the interim report.

There is no question that the participation levels in the referendum have shown that there is an incredible appetite in Scotland to participate in the democratic process.

Our Programme for Government, published in November, sets out the Scottish Government's commitment to use the lessons from the referendum as well as our consultation exercise 'Scotland's Electoral Future' to continue the process of making voting more meaningful for people and communities in Scotland.

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