Lord Boswell of Aynho
Chairman, European Union Committee
House of Lords
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4 April 2019

Dear Lord Boswell,

Further to the Department’s letter of 29 March, I am writing to update you on the Government’s progress to transition existing international agreements with third countries as we prepare to leave the EU. (The enclosed list details this progress, all of which will be published on gov.uk shortly).

39 agreements have now completed the scrutiny process under the Constitutional Reform and Governance Act (2010), with the following completing this week:

- Trade and Partnership Agreement with Israel
- Agreement with Switzerland on Citizens’ Rights
- Trade agreement with Liechtenstein

As you will know, a free trade agreement with Norway and Iceland and a citizens’ rights agreement with the EEA EFTA states for a no deal scenario have recently been signed.

Furthermore, I am pleased to inform you that the agreement with Indonesia on Forest, Law Enforcement, Trade and Governance (FLEGT) has now been signed and will shortly begin the parliamentary scrutiny process.

As explained in previous letters, for those agreements that will not be in place, or will carry a gap in a no deal scenario, work is continuing to mitigate the impacts and Departments will continue to provide as much clarity as possible in the run up to our Exit from the EU.

My department will continue to provide updates on a regular basis. I would, of course, be glad to meet you to discuss any questions you may have on this programme of work.

I will deposit this letter and the attached appendix in the House Library. I am also writing to the Chairs of the European Scrutiny Committee, Foreign Affairs Committee and the Procedure Committee as well as the Chairs of the European Union Committee, the Constitution Committee and the Secondary Legislation Scrutiny Committee in the House of Lords.
Alternative arrangement will be in place to deliver the effect of the agreement.

Employment impacts

Will not be in place.

These agreements have been agreed and where required are subject to parliamentary scrutiny in the UK and the Third Country.

Agreement is not being delivered in its original form but an alternative arrangement to deliver the effect of the agreement has been agreed with the Third Country.

Agreement is in progress with Third Countries and we will continue to update the list.

There will not be in place for 12th April in a No Deal scenario.

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### Norway and Iceland Trading Arrangements

**Name:** Norway and Iceland Trading Arrangements

**Description:** The UK's bilateral agreement with Norway and Iceland (the Agreement) will be in place in the event of No Deal.

**Additional Comment:**

**Lead Department:** FCO

**Country:** Norway, Iceland

**Source:** European Economic Area Agreement (we are only incorporating the relevant Articles and Protocols on trade in goods from the EEA Agreement, including Protocols 2, 3, 4, 9, and 11)

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### Armenia Cooperative and Enhanced Partnership Agreement

**Name:** Armenia Cooperative and Enhanced Partnership Agreement

**Description:** This agreement provides for institutional and operational measures to allow for enhanced conditions for some aspects of trade.

**Additional Comment:**

**Lead Department:** FCO

**Country:** Armenia

**Source:** Armenia Cooperative and Enhanced Partnership Agreement

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### Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Communities and the Republic of Azerbaijan

**Name:** Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Communities and the Republic of Azerbaijan

**Description:** This agreement provides for institutional and operational measures to allow for enhanced conditions for some aspects of trade.

**Additional Comment:**

**Lead Department:** FCO

**Country:** Azerbaijan

**Source:** Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Communities and the Republic of Azerbaijan
Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Indonesia
This agreement reaffirms relations with Indonesia by providing a framework for dialogue and cooperation to allow for enhanced relations for some aspects of trade. Will be in place, engagement ongoing

Parternship and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Moldova
This agreement reaffirms relations with Moldova. Will not be in place, engagement ongoing

Strategic Partnership Agreement between the European Union and Japan
This agreement reaffirms relations with Japan by providing a framework for dialogue and cooperation. Will not be in place, engagement ongoing

Moldova Air Services Arrangement
This arrangement provides the legal basis for flight between the UK and Moldova. Will not be in place, engagement ongoing

Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Uzbekistan
This agreement reaffirms relations with Uzbekistan by providing a framework for dialogue and cooperation to allow for enhanced relations for some aspects of trade. Will be in place, engagement ongoing

Strategic Partnership Agreement Between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Iraq, of the other part
This agreement reaffirms relations with Iraq by providing a framework for dialogue and cooperation. Will not be in place, engagement ongoing

Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Singapore
This agreement reaffirms relations with Singapore by providing a framework for dialogue and cooperation. Will not be in place, engagement ongoing

Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Cuba, of the other part
This agreement reaffirms relations with Cuba by providing a framework for dialogue and cooperation. Will not be in place, engagement ongoing

Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Turkmenistan, of the other part
This agreement reaffirms relations with Turkmenistan by providing a framework for dialogue and cooperation to allow for enhanced relations for some aspects of trade. Will be in place, engagement ongoing

Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Japan, of the other part
This agreement reaffirms relations with Japan by providing a framework for dialogue and cooperation. Will not be in place, engagement ongoing

Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Kazakhstan
This agreement reaffirms relations with Kazakhstan by providing a framework for dialogue and cooperation. Will not be in place, engagement ongoing

Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Turkmenistan, of the other part
This agreement reaffirms relations with Turkmenistan by providing a framework for dialogue and cooperation to allow for enhanced relations for some aspects of trade. Will be in place, engagement ongoing

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