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Commission on Justice in Wales
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Dear Andrew,

Response to the Commission on Justice in Wales

The JAC is grateful for the opportunity to respond to the consultation of the Commission on Justice in Wales. We do not feel that it is appropriate for us to respond in detail to the questions raised in the consultation.

However, the JAC is very much aware of the effect of devolution in Wales, its potential impact on the justice system and in particular the increasing divergence of legislation affecting Wales from that pertaining in England.

Consequently, when selecting candidates for recommendation for roles in Wales, the JAC policy is to assess all candidates, other than for some non-legal roles, on their understanding, or their ability to acquire the understanding, of the administration of justice in Wales, including legislation applicable to Wales and Welsh devolution arrangements.

Yours sincerely,

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