From: [Redacted Text] Sent: 28 March 2017 14:11 To: [Redacted Text]@ec.europa.eu Cc: [Redacted Text] [Redacted Text]@ec.europa.eu; [Redacted Text]@ec.europa.eu; [Redacted Text] Subject: RE: outstanding issues

Afternoon [Redacted Text],

Hope you are well.

I understand my colleague [Redacted Text] emailed you yesterday, as a member of the RDOC, to inform you about the LFASS announcement that was issued on Saturday 25 March. Hopefully you received this email and are now aware of our Ministers intentions for LFASS going forward.

Best regards,

[Redacted Text] SRDP Programme Manager Agriculture & Rural Development Division Agriculture and Rural Economy Directorate The Scottish Government

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From: [Redacted Text]
Sent: 28 February 2017 11:55
To: [Redacted Text]
Cc: [Redacted Text] (RAD)
Subject: RE: state of play of ANC

[Redacted Text]

To update you on the latest position.

Our Cabinet Secretary has not yet announce his decision on a LFASS replacement scheme for 2018, we understood this was due last week but are now informed by his office that this announcement is likely to be 2 weeks from now. I understand he wishes to seek additional industry stakeholder views on a specific aspect first before making a decision.

However, I can share with you that he is giving serious consideration to using the option to pay 80% LFASS payments in 2018.

We will be working on drafting proposals soon, to share with you and begin discussions with you, prior to submitting a formal modification.

I will of course inform you of his decision at the time of the announcement.

Best regards,

[Redacted Text]

From[Redacted Text] [[Redacted Text]
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2017 4:30 PM
To: [Redacted Text]
Cc[Redacted Text]; [Redacted Text]
Subject: RE: state of play of ANC

Dear [Redacted Text]

Apologies for the delay in responding,

Scottish Government is considering using the option, previously highlighted in Commission in guidance of July 2016, to pay 80% of LFASS payments in 2018, which would not require the transition to ANC payments from 2018.

Scottish Government is mindful of the vital income support the LFASS payments provide to remote and fragile areas, noting that Scotland has 85% of its agriculture area designated as Less Favoured Area.

Our Cabinet Secretary is considering the best suite of options available that will assist upland farming in accommodating a reduction to LFASS payments.

We will provide further information in due course, once initial ministerial decisions are confirmed - I hope to be able to provide more definitive proposals by the end of February but will keep you updated.

Best regards,

[Redacted Text].

From: [Redacted Text]
Sent: 07 February 2017 09:55
To: [Redacted Text]@ec.europa.eu'
Cc: [Redacted Text]@ec.europa.eu'; [Redacted Text]@ec.europa.eu'; [Redacted Text]
Subject: RE: state of play of ANC

Dear [Redacted Text]

I am scheduled to have a meeting with Cabinet Secretary, Mr Ewing on Thursday of this week to disuse our intentions. I will be in a more informed position to provide an update after this meeting.

Kind regards,

[Redacted Text] Programme Manager / Team Leader SRDP & LFASS team Agriculture & Rural Development Division Rural & Environment Directorate The Scottish Government

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From: [Redacted Text]@ec.europa.eu [Redacted Text]]
Sent: 03 February 2017 13:04
To: [Redacted Text]
Cc: [Redacted Text]
Subject: SC: state of play of ANC

Dear [Redacted Text]

Could you please send us an update of the state of play regarding ANC, as previously discussed on the phone? It would be great if you could send it to us by next Tuesday 7th of February. Thank you!

Kind regards, [Redacted Text]

[Redacted Text]



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