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Thank you for your letter of 23 July, enclosing the further communication you have received from Mr. Evans, calling for the publication of a report on Government expenditure and revenue in Wales.

As I explained in my earlier letter, there may well be a need for publication of certain information on devolved taxes in the future, but it would be premature to give a commitment on that before the UK Government issues its response to the report on financial reform produced by the Commission on Devolution in Wales ('Silk Commission'). That response was expected in Spring 2013 but the UK Government has recently indicated that it will now follow in Autumn 2013.

As regards non-devolved taxes, those are primarily a matter for the UK Government. However, Mr. Evans may be interested in the intention of HMRC to publish sub-UK information on tax receipts. Further information is available on the HMRC website at: http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/statistics/announcements/22-07-13.htm

I hope this is helpful to Mr. Evans.

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