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Dear William,

I note the petition submitted by See Science requesting that the Welsh Government's National Science Academy reinstate required funding for the CREST Awards in Wales.

In accordance with my instructions, featured in my response to the Written Assembly Questions (WAQ65918, WAQ65919 and WAQ65920) of the 21 November 2013, my officials have been in discussions with the British Science Association. Officials are currently awaiting, from the British Science Association, a fully worked-up business case to support provision of funding.

Once received, the funding application will be considered in line with the Welsh Government funding protocol on the provision of a robust business case; evidencing clear, credible and achievable outputs while representing value for money.



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