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Dear Ann,

## **Consultation on the National Adoption Service Directions**

As Members of your Committee will be aware, today I issued a Written Statement which explains that I have issued the Adoption and Children Act 2002 (Joint Adoption Arrangements) (Wales) Directions for consultation with local authorities in Wales and their key partners.

I attach a copy of my Statement for information.

I would also like to take this opportunity to draw Committee members' attention to the consultation on the first tranche of regulations, codes of practice and statutory guidance to be made under the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014. The consultation, which commenced on 6 November, will run for twelve and a half weeks, closing on 2 February 2015. I attach a link to my written statement announcing the consultation, within which you will find links to the webpages hosting the consultation documents:

http://wales.gov.uk/about/cabinet/cabinetstatements/2014/sswellbeingact/?lang=en

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I welcome the views of Members, along with all other interested stakeholders.

Best wishes

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