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As you may be aware the Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee is currently undertaking an inquiry into the future of the United Kingdom, a subject that I know you care passionately about and have spent considerable time considering.

The question of how we redefine the relationship between the UK's constituent parts is already one of high constitutional importance and looks set to become even more important over the course of this Parliament and beyond. It is, of course, a subject that inspires strongly held and divergent feelings among the peoples of the UK and among Parliamentarians both within and across the UK's legislatures. It is my hope that we as Parliamentarians could foster a new and more constructive way of deliberating our constitutional future.

As such, I would like to suggest a meeting of the Committee Chairmen involved in scrutinising constitutional affairs and intergovernmental relations in the four UK legislatures. If you agree, I will ask officials to liaise in order to identify a time and place where it would be suitable for us all to meet. I believe such a meeting would mark a positive start to a new and more constructive dialogue.

Yours sincerely,

Bernard Jenkin MP