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Dear Commissioner Denham,

Dear Liz!

In response to your letter dated 14 September 2020, ICO/O/ED/L/RTL/0177, first I would like to thank you for ensuring that the ICO representatives participated in the EDPB Cooperation Expert Subgroup meeting on 22 September.

I also appreciate your readiness to discuss recent developments in EU data protection law, while I have at the same time to ensure that such dialogue is carried out by the EDPB, as for any other EU institution, agency or body, in compliance with the provisions of the EU-UK Withdrawal Agreement. This applies to cooperation between now and the end of the transitional period regarding, *inter alia*, remaining transnational cases or other issues that have an impact on the application of EU data protection rules in the U.K

In that context, I would like to inform you that the Cooperation expert subgroup will continue to work on the issue of cooperation procedures and will develop a framework of legal and practical criteria that will serve the smooth handling of ongoing cases. Special attention will be devoted to those cases where the ICO has been the lead authority so far. Whenever necessary and in compliance with the requirements of the Withdrawal Agreement, the EDPB will invite you to continue this exchange to anticipate as good as we can the potential impact of the Brexit on ongoing one-stop-shop cases.

Finally, I have no doubt that all EDPB members are willing to establish a constructive and fruitful relation with the ICO after the end of the transition period to the benefit of the protection of personal data.

Yours sincerely,



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