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Pwnc: Correspondence from the Minister for Welsh Language and Lifelong Learning, Welsh Government

Dear Minister

Thank you for your letter dated 20 December and congratulations on your appointment as Welsh Government Minister with responsibility for Welsh language. As you note we have been in discussion with the Welsh Language Commissioner about the use of the Welsh language on our fleet of Intercity Express Trains (IET) over a number of months.

[Hepgorwyd yr wybodaeth – enw swyddog 2 GWR], our **[hepgorwyd yr wybodaeth – teitl swydd swyddog 2 GWR]** has been in discussion with the Commissioner and is working on a plan and timelines with her. I should note that the IETs are owned by Hitachi and leased by the Department for Transport. They are not GWR property and therefore any changes would need to be approved by both Hitachi and the Department for Transport. This is not insurmountable and we do believe, as agreed with the Welsh Language Commissioner, that we can incorporate Welsh into route based on board automated announcements.

We are working on this now and will keep the Commissioner informed. It is our intention to provide a timeline for this and our other Welsh Language work to her by the end of January 2018.

I apologise but we had not been made aware that you also hold responsibility for Welsh Language in the Welsh Government. It would be very helpful to know how this links with the role of the Welsh Language Commissioner, and who the correct point of contact for Welsh Language issues should be. I would be grateful if you could provide some background on this, which I can share with **[Hepgorwyd yr wybodaeth – enw swyddog 2 GWR]**, who leads for us on this issue.

[Hepgorwyd yr wybodaeth – enw swyddog 2 GWR] will also be very happy to share his correspondence with the Commissioner if you do not already have access to this. Please let him know on **[Hepgorwyd yr wybodaeth – cyfeiriad e-bost swyddog 2 GWR]**

Thank you again for your letter.

Best wishes

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