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By e-mail

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Dear Sally

I enclose the draft Disability Assistance for Children and Young People (Scotland) Regulations 2020, made under sections 30(2), 31(2), 36(2), 41(4)(a), 43(5) and 52 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018. I am pleased to provide SCoSS with the formal request for scrutiny of these draft regulations.

These regulations set out the detail of how this devolved form of Disability Assistance will function when it commences in Summer 2020. A further draft of these regulations will be laid in Parliament in Spring 2020.

I also provide with the regulations, a policy note drafted to assist SCoSS with their deliberations. It may be helpful to note that these draft regulations will be published week commencing 16 December and I have sent a copy to the Social Security Committee with the associated papers and documents.

I am proud to mark another major milestone in the process of delivering devolved social security and in building a system that better meets the needs of disabled people in Scotland. SCoSS' role in scrutinising these proposals will be key in ensuring that we achieve our aim of delivering a social security system in Scotland that meets our values of treating people with dignity, fairness and respect.

Yours sincerely

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