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Dear Mick

Further to the First Minister's letter of the 3rd November, I am writing to let you know the sixteenth British-Irish Council Environment work sector Ministerial meeting took place on Wednesday 4th November, hosted virtually by the UK Government. Member Administrations previously agreed to postpone the meeting originally scheduled to take place in Jersey earlier in the year.

The BIC Environment work sector Ministerial meeting discussed the collaborative action being taken and the progress being made on the current work programme including marine environment, climate change and invasive non-native species.

All members agreed that the seventeenth Ministerial meeting will be hosted in 2022 and that the BIC Environment work sector would continue its focus on the marine environment, climate adaptation and invasive non-native species for its forward work programme.

A communiqué was be agreed by all the ministers during the meeting and has been published on the BIC website.

Regards

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