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Dear Jayne

**UK/Peru: Treaty on the Mutual Recognition of Degrees**

You will be aware that the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee is responsible for monitoring the implementation of non-trade international agreements in the Sixth Senedd.

At our meeting on 13 September 2021 we considered the **UK/Peru: Treaty on the Mutual Recognition of Degrees**.

The treaty's purpose is to strengthen the cooperation in the education sector and promote bilateral academic and professional mobility by recognising and validating degrees issued by the officially recognised and authorised higher education institutions of each party. The UK degrees covered are Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral degrees.

During our consideration of this treaty we identified a number of issues which the Children, Young People and Education Committee may wish to be aware of given the Committee's remit:

- the Welsh Government has not yet published its assessment or provided information on the treaty's impact; and
- the agreement was laid during the passage of the UK Government's Professional Qualifications Bill, for which the Senedd's consent has been sought. In its Legislative Consent Memorandum, the Welsh Government recommends that the Senedd withhold its consent to the Bill. One of the reasons provided is that the UK Government has failed to confirm to the Welsh Government which educational qualifications are within scope of the Bill, such as further education qualifications.



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Yours sincerely,

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