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Regulation on reducing costs of deployment of high-speed electronic communications networks — Document (34806) 7999/13

The Committee has asked me to thank you for your letter of 21 May 2013, informing us of the views of the Infrastructure and Capital Investment and Local Government and Regeneration Committees of the Scottish Parliament on the proposed Regulation at their respective meetings of 15 May.

We note that the Committees concluded that there was insufficient evidence to justify taking a different view on subsidiarity from the Scottish and UK Governments.

I can report that since our first Report on this proposal dated 8 May, the Reasoned Opinion we recommended was debated in European Committee on Monday 20 May. On 21 May the House agreed to forward the Reasoned Opinion to the Presidents of the European Institutions.

I am copying this letter to Baroness O'Cathain and Nicole Mason in the House of Lords and Graeme Donoghue at the Office of the Presiding Officer.

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