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Dear Andrew

BOOKLET ON UK ENVIRONMENTAL ACHIEVEMENTS

PT 1

Thank you for copying to me your letter of 29 May to David Barclay enclosing a copy of the booklet on environmental achievements, which was eventually published on 7 June.

The Chief Secretary is concerned that the Treasury was not, unlike other departments, consulted at official level on the drafting of the booklet. Your letter made it clear that it was too late to change the text. It was not possible, therefore, to feed in comments from the Treasury, which has a clear interest - not least from the expenditure point of view.

The Chief Secretary trusts that the Treasury will, in the future, be given the opportunity to comment on environmental matters as important as this in good time before final decisions are taken. LG2 Division (headed by Colin Allan) co-ordinates the Treasury interest in environmental matters.

I am copying this to the recipients of your letter.

Yours sincerely

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