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Dear Dame Susan

I am writing to provide the Commission with the expected publication date of the Scottish Budget, in accordance with our joint 'Protocol for Engagement'. I intend to publish this on Thursday 12 December 2019.

Due to ongoing uncertainty around the date of a UK Autumn Budget, you will understand that I may need to revise these plans. If it is necessary to do so, I am mindful of the relevant provisions within the Protocol and will update you as soon as possible.

My officials will work with your own to agree a more detailed timetable covering the pre-Budget activity and engagement, as required by the Protocol. I look forward to continuing to work with you over the coming months, and to future discussions regarding the Commission's forecasts.

I am also writing today to the Parliament's Finance and Constitution Committee to notify them of the expected date and to invite their agreement.

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