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Brexit Economic Impact Studies: Interim Response

Thank you for contacting me about the impact assessments that the Government has commissioned on the UK's withdrawal from the EU.

I am sure that we all share the same desire to respect in full the outcome of the 2016 referendum by completing the process of leaving the EU in the best possible way so as to maximise the opportunities and benefits for the UK and achieve the greatest possible degree of agreement and co-operation with our friends and neighbours in Europe.

The Government has commissioned a series of assessments into the impact of the UK's withdrawal from the EU on various sectors of the economy. These should help us to understand in greater depth the priorities that the Government should have in its ongoing planning for Brexit and the adjustments that will need to be made after we leave.

Much of the work surrounding the negotiations is sensitive and I am sure that you will appreciate that it would not be wise to jeopardise our chances of success by revealing too much information. The same consideration will apply to the EU's negotiators. At the same time, I understand the need for transparency and I have asked my colleagues at the Department for Exiting the EU to provide me with the latest information on the impact assessments.

I apologise for the short delay while we wait for the most up to date information and I shall, of course, update this response as soon as I have heard back from my colleagues.

Thank you again for taking the time to contact me.

Kind regards,

Craig Whittaker MP