

Russell Borthwick Chief Executive Aberdeen and Grampian Chamber of Commerce

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Dear Mr Borthwick,

Thank you for your congratulations on my appointment as Secretary of State for Scotland. I look forward to being Scotland's voice at the Cabinet table, ensuring that Scotland continues to be at the heart of the Government's work. I recognise the importance of the North Sea energy sector and the concerns you raise about investment, the domestic supply chain, and the broader business climate.

I understand that Aberdeen and Grampian Chamber of Commerce has maintained regular contact with the Scotland Office in the past, and I look forward to continuing to work with AGCC to support Scotland's economic growth and energy strategy.

As you can imagine, my diary is particularly busy at the moment as I settle into this role, so I regret that I am unable to meet with you for the time being, but I ask that you keep my officials updated on your work.

Yours sincerely,

The Rt Hon Douglas Alexander MP Secretary Of State For Scotland