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Dear Cabinet Secretary

Petition P-05-765 Keeping Current Guidelines for Religious Assemblies

The Petitions Committee has received the following petition from Iraj Irfan, which is currently collecting signatures:

Text of Petition:

We call on the National Assembly for Wales to urge the Welsh Government to keep religious assemblies in state schools in Wales as 'opt-out' and 'wholly or mainly of a broadly Christian character', while considering ways to ensure that they continue to be relevant to people of different faiths and no faith.

Before our first formal consideration of this petition the Committee would like to seek your views on the issues it raises, as the Minister with lead responsibility for this area of policy.

I would be grateful if you could send your response by e-mail to the clerking team at SeneddPetitions@assembly.wales .

Yours sincerely



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