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AOA (the Airport Operators Association)
ABTA (the Association of British Travel Agents)
ABI (the Association of British Insurers)

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Dear Colleague,

Further to our letters of the 10, 17, 22, 28, 30 September and 12 October, you will no doubt be aware the First Minister announced on 19 October that a short, sharp “firebreak” will be introduced across Wales at the end of this week to help regain control of coronavirus.

The firebreak will start at 6pm on Friday, 23 October and end on Monday, 9 November. It will apply to everyone living in Wales and will replace the local restrictions which are in force in some parts of the country. More information on the firebreak can be found here: <https://gov.wales/national-coronavirus-fire-break-to-be-introduced-in-wales-on-friday>

The firebreak means that people will not be able to travel internationally, unless they are travelling for work where it is not reasonably practicable to do this from home or have another legitimate reason for travel. The restrictions are made under regulations and have the full force of UK law. It is therefore incumbent on the travel and insurance industries to take the necessary steps to mitigate the financial impact of the restrictions on members of the travelling public whose travel plans are disrupted as a result.

As mentioned previously, our letters and your responses will be published on the Welsh Government website. These can be found here: <https://gov.wales/letters-welsh-government-uk-travel-industry-and-uk-ministers-about-local-lockdowns-wales>

Yours sincerely,

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.