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The Right Honourable Simon Hart MP  
Secretary of State for Wales  
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Dear Simon,

The UK Government has launched its three-year spending review to conclude by 27 October alongside an Autumn Budget. I would welcome an early meeting with you to discuss how we work together to ensure the UK Government fully considers the particular needs of Wales.

We have a shared ambition to tackle the climate emergency and to ensure Wales can thrive within the Union, within which we should come together to discharge matters of common concern and with a common purpose. A key issue in this regard will be addressing the industrial legacy of coal tip safety in Wales.

The latest independent Climate Change Risk Assessment for Wales (CCRA3) recognises the potential for climate impacts to increase the risk of future landslips, landslides and subsidence linked to historic mining activities. If we can agree a way forward to address this shared challenge and manage the inherent risk, there is an opportunity for us to demonstrate our collective commitment as we look ahead to the UK hosting COP26.

Yours sincerely,

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