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Dear *Stephen,*

Data Sharing – Rol Passenger Locator Forms

I wrote to Simon Coveney TD on 2nd April 2021, a letter I copied to you, on the above issue.

Despite my request and earlier agreement between our Governments that this was an important issue in ensuring an effective response to the pandemic, for the benefit of the health of both our populations, I am very disappointed little progress has been made on an appropriate IT solution. I would be grateful therefore if you could make this a priority for your Department and confirm, at the earliest opportunity, when the data sharing can commence.

I should also be very grateful if you could ensure appropriate preparatory steps are also taken to facilitate the verification of the data by our Public Health Agency once the data sharing agreement has been commenced. This will ensure a smooth introduction of the new arrangements, which will be mutually beneficial.

I have copied this letter to the First Minister the Rt Hon Arlene Foster, MLA, deputy First Minister Michelle O'Neill, MLA, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland The Rt Hon Brandon Lewis, MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs Simon Coveney, TD and the Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster

Yours sincerely

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