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Re AMS : we have a meeting on Monday in Brussels at which DG Dev will be asked to clarify a number of issues . I shall let you know after that

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Barry

Thanks, this helps confirm the relative benefit of working on sugar in Defra as opposed to USDA at present.

Incidentally, do you have any update on the AMS figures? The last I have seen is the DEVCO spreadsheet you sent me in April.

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**From:** B NEWTON [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:**

Dear [REDACTED]

Further to our meeting yesterday I attach an announcement from today's Washington Trade Daily. I believe there is a risk of even greater forfeitures than is forecast in the article .It is all very bad news for getting a renewal of the Farm Bill in its current form .

It shows how fast matters can turn around when market management controls are relaxed. In the US Mexico is the uncontrollable element in supply and is so big that large swings in

price are inevitable . In the EU the EBA started it but the removal of beet quotas will have a similar and unpredictable de- stabilising impact to Mexico.

Regards

Barry

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