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Dear Stephen,

Thank you for your correspondence dated 26 May 2022, and for confirming that SSAC will not be taking the Social Security (Habitual Residence and Past Presence) (Amendment) 2022 regulations on formal reference. We also appreciate the committee's understanding of the use of the emergency procedure for these regulations and allowing officials to present these formally following the regulations being laid.

We are grateful for the scrutiny of the Committee and agree with your suggestion in respect of developing a standard framework upon which future regulations that use the emergency procedure can be drawn from.

We are currently in the process of scoping out this framework and note with thanks your kind offer of support in helping to develop this document.

During the committee meeting we noted your interest in viewing the legislation that has been laid by HMRC and the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities. I have included a link below to their respective legislation.

https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2022/346/contents/made https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2022/339/contents/made

I would like to thank you and the Committee once again for your support with these regulations.

Kind regards,

David Rutley MP Minister for Welfare Delivery