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Dear Tony and Brandon,

Thank you for your letter dated 1 July 2020 which highlights the important work being undertaken by the Expert Panel – Age Restrictions across a wide range of policy areas, since it was re-established over a year ago.

I am grateful to you for taking the time to share the work and achievements of the Panel and your plans for the current year. I was particularly pleased to note the high level of collaboration you have achieved across a broad spectrum of delegates from Government, certification bodies, business and law enforcement.

I am pleased that OPSS has been able to support the Panel so successfully and appreciate your recognition of the support that both Adrian and Jackie have provided.

Our purpose at the Office for Product Safety and Standards is to make regulation work, by protecting people and enabling businesses to understand their obligations. Expert panels play a fundamental role in this by promoting consistency, tackling gaps in guidance, reducing unnecessary burdens, and, especially in this case, ensuring we keep people safe.

It has clearly been a highly productive year for the Panel. I very much look forward to continuing to work closely with you and supporting the work of the Panel as it moves forward into its second year.

Yours Sincerely,



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