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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to inform you that the Regulated Professions Register (RPR) has been launched on GOV.UK. I am writing to thank you for your input throughout the development of the service. The service can be accessed via this link: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/check-which-professions-are-regulated-in-the-uk.

I am extremely grateful for your organisations' close working with the RPR developers and officials from the Department for Business and Trade (DBT). Thanks to your contributions, we now have a digital tool on GOV.UK which is an invaluable source of information for professionals and businesses in the UK and overseas. Having information about over 200 professions in a single place will help professionals better navigate the UK regulatory landscape, get in touch with your organisation about the professions that you regulate and ensure that lack of information is not a barrier to entry to the UK labour market.

I would be grateful for you to make arrangements to ensure that the information on your professions' pages is kept up to date – this will be crucial as requirements covering your sector emerge and change. This will make sure the service remains useful to professionals and businesses.

My officials have worked with the developers to make the RPR a portal for you to report data on the number of overseas professionals being recognised by your organisation on an annual basis. Many organisations previously reported this data to UK Government to be recorded by the EU and it has been useful for informing Government's policy. Now that the RPR is live, the functionality to report this data into RPR has been switched on. My Officials will send you a request to upload your data and will provide help and guidance.

I would appreciate your support in reaching out to the sector that you regulate and other industry groups to increase awareness of the RPR. The RPR is an excellent start for prospective applicants to the UK labour market and we are keen for it to reach as broad an audience as possible. We are also keen to receive feedback on the service to help it deliver its aims.

Once again, thank you for continued work with DBT on the RPR. My officials will continue to work with yours in the coming weeks and months to develop and improve good practices which will ensure regulators and professionals can succeed. Please contact my officials at RPR@beis.gov.uk if you want to discuss further.

Yours sincerely,

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