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Dear Darren,

I'm writing in response to WAQ79961: What consideration has the Welsh Government given to introducing coronavirus testing for passengers arriving at Welsh airports from destinations outside of the common travel area?

From the 8 of June passengers arriving in Welsh airports who have been in a country outside the Common Travel Area—UK, Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man—at any point during the 14 days before arrival, are required to isolate for up to 14 days (subject to exemptions) to reduce the risk of imported infections.

The Technical Advisory Group has produced a consensus statement: <u>Testing Travelers</u> <u>Returning to Wales from Areas of High Prevalence</u>. The Welsh Government are currently considering practical options for piloting their recommendations to ensure our approach is effective and appropriate given our understanding of international travel and its impact on the spread of the virus.

Further information on the Travel Regulation's for Wales can be found at: https://gov.wales/exemptions-self-isolation-coronavirus-covid-19-html.

Yours sincerely.

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