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Dear Responsible Officer,

New regulatory documents and launch of public consultation

We are writing to make you aware of important recent developments with regard to our regulatory documents, which are:

1. The publications of two data related policies, and
2. Our consultation on complaints about awarding bodies, whistleblowing and enforcement

Governance for Qualifications Wales statistics

As part of our regulatory role, in the academic year 2017/18 we will begin to collect data about general qualifications that are taken in Wales. To inform our collection and use of this data we have chosen to voluntarily comply with the UK Statistical Authority's code of practice. In order to comply with this code of practice, we have produced two new regulatory documents.

Our Interim Statistical Outputs Policy outlines how we will publish statistical outputs relating to data that we collect on regulated qualifications.

Our Interim Revisions and Correction Policy for Statistical Releases Policy describes how we may make amendments and revisions to our routine statistical releases.

"Statistical releases" refers to regular statistical releases that are published on our website.

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Complaints about awarding bodies, whistleblowing and enforcement consultation

In the consultation document we are launching today, we are seeking your views on a series of policies regarding enforcement, dealing with complaints and whistleblowing. We are presenting these policies together in order to demonstrate the range of actions and information gathering activities that we might use as part of our regulatory role.

This consultation presents five of our policies:

- Complaints about awarding bodies
- Whistleblowing Policy
- Taking Action When Things Go Wrong
- Fee Capping Policy
- Monetary Penalties Policy

The consultation document presenting these policies can be found on our website at <http://qualificationswales.org/consultations/?lang=en>

Responses to this consultation should be submitted by 18:00 on 6 February 2018 at the latest using the online form that is available at <http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/QWENFORCEMENT/>

In addition to this consultation, feedback on our regulatory documents is welcomed at any time. Please send any comments to policy@qualificationswales.org.

Yours sincerely

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