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Chief Executive

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Dr. Vicky Nash
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Dear Dr. Nash

As Chief Executive of Scotland's principal economic development agency, I write to you regarding the recent Ofcom review of the future of Public Service Broadcasting to make a specific observation in respect of stv group plc.

stv's has a core role in Scotland's economy, employing 375 permanent staff and 500 freelancers, and is responsible for some of Scotland's most successful production exports. stv is a major component of the creative industries in Scotland. Scotlish Enterprise is working with stv in a number of areas where opportunities exist for significant growth, primarily through increased local commissioning and expansion into innovative digital platforms, products and services.

In relation to the review of Public Service Broadcasting, we note two of the evolutionary options being considered could have a significant negative impact on the activities of stv.

Given the importance of stv to the Scottish economy, I would urge OFCOM to take into account the threats to stv posed by these two options and give consideration as to how OFCOM can support stv's business as part of its review.

Yours sincerely

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