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Dear Chris,

BBC Scotland Channel: Amendment to proposal

Thank you for your letter of 14 March 2018. In your letter, you propose an amendment to the BBC's proposal for a new TV channel for Scotland to include the launch of a High Definition (HD) simulcast.

As you know, after the BBC submitted its public interest test to Ofcom on 30 November 2017, we began a review to decide whether the proposal should be allowed to proceed. We subsequently confirmed in our letter to you of 11 January 2018 that we would undertake a Competition Assessment ('BCA') to assess the proposal.

As the BBC has now revised its proposal, we will need to consider the implications of the change and the extent to which we require further information from the BBC. We will publish our view on what the change to the proposal means for our process and timetable as soon as possible.

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