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Dear Sir/Madam

Consultation on the Case Management of Family and Civil Partnership Actions in the Sheriff Court

I refer to the above consultation to which I respond on behalf of the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service (SCTS). The response is submitted by the SCTS acting in its role to provide efficient and effective administration to the courts and does not include the views of the Judiciary.

The SCTS is supportive of the proposals of the Family Law Committee's Sub Committee on case management in Family Actions which, if taken forward, should help in ensuring that family actions will be dealt with as expeditiously and efficiently as possible. The proposals are however likely to require amendment to be made to the SCTS case management system, court programmes and staff training materials. We will therefore require sufficient lead in times prior to commencement of the proposals to ensure that they can be successfully implemented. We will work along with SCJC Secretariat to achieve this.

If you need any further information, please let me know.

Yours faithfully

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