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Subject: RE: Meeting w/ Brian Johnson (15/11/21 10:55 - 12:00) - Annotated Agenda

Hi Brian,

Please see below a summary of key discussion points and actions below from your regular 1:1 with the Minister this morning:

- Merchant Navy Training Board (MNTB):** RC noted the recent update note on the MTNB. He is content for the Maritime Skills Commission to conduct a review of where the function of the MNTB might best sit. He would be keen for this review to be fairly swift so the issue is not 'kicked into the long grass', ideally reporting back to him by end of February. **Brian agreed to take this away and discuss with the MSC Chair.**
- MCA approach to decarbonisation:** Brian talked RC through the presentation on Systemic Approach to Decarbonisation. Brian noted the increased thinking around Nuclear, and that MCA/DfT are seeking to strengthen ties with BEIS. RC commented he is happy to help reach out to BEIS if helpful. RC noted his interest in Nuclear and requested some further information on Molten Salt Nuclear Power for Maritime. **Brian agreed to provide the Minister with a further note on this.** RC also asked Nuclear Power be added to the agenda for his next 1:1 with Petra.
- Grandfather Rights:** GRR. No response from PBL. RC happy to support if needed.
- IMO Audit:** Brian updated RC on the positive result of the IMO Audit.
- Legislation Backlog:** RC noted that the recent SLSC session on legislative backlog had gone well. He is confident MCA have gripped the issue. Important now to ensure we just keep cracking through it.
- UKSAR2G:** Brian updated RC on the procurement exercise for UKSAR2G. Will require HMT to re-approve before contract is awarded.
- The Channel and Small Boat Crossings:** Brian updated RC that they continue to see a increasing volume of crossings. Working well with Border Force. Concern about potential to run out of capacity in peak Spring season if France continue to not play full role is preventing crossings – will continue to keep an eye on this.
- Concierge Service and Tonnage Tax:** Brian updated RC on the positive response to concierge service and tonnage tax reforms. Can provide some stats around this in due course. Interest from Evergreen. Continue to work through how we use cadet capability to make it more attractive to new entrants.
- HM Coastguard Incidents 2021 & Beach Safety Responsibilities:** Brian updated on the high rate of incidents for 2021. Increased incidents due to recreational activity on coast. Looking at how target communications to prevent accidents such as recreational magazines. Are working with Cabinet Office on where policy responsibility for beach safety sits.
- Fishing Vessel Safety:** Brian updated RC that fishing vessel safety continues to be a concern. Have increased surveys and had to detail large numbers for non-compliance. Looking at ways to target comms and engagement activity in a way that translated into fewer deaths and incidents. RC noted he was very keen to support these efforts – would be interested in having advice on how he might be able to reinforce messages through local MPs. For example writing to them on incidents in their constituencies, convening a meeting, asking them to amplify upcoming safety campaigns etc. **Brian agreed to take this away to consider, and to revert with some suggestions/advice.**

Best,

Name

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Hello Name Name

Please find attached an annotated agenda and associated documents ahead of the Minister's meeting with Brian Johnson on Monday – the format follows ones we have used before for these types of meeting. The associated documents are:

Annex A – is our previous note on the MNTB and the first attach (email) provides more detail.
Annex B – is the presentation that Brian will use to illustrate our approach, both as below

These are the first two agenda items.

With Thanks

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 Subject: RE: Meeting w/ Brian Johnson

Hi [Name]

I just wanted to get in touch about Brian's meeting with Minister Courts.

Over the last few weeks, there have been two requests from the Minister to discuss things with Brian. I thought this meeting would be a good opportunity to do so (if Brian is content):

1. **MNTB.** As attached, the Minister had a few thoughts on the submission you sent up. He will hopefully be discussing with Petra next week, and then would like to discuss it with Brian. Please reference the submission in the briefing.
2. **MCA Decarb work.** In a meeting with Christopher Rodrigues last week, the Minister said he was keen to look at the presentation of Brian's recent work on decarbonisation. Brian's office sent over the attached presentation this week. The Minister noted it but would like to take up Brian's offer to talk the Minister through this in the meeting with Brian on the 15th.

Please could you ensure these are both on the agenda for this meeting and the MNTB covered in the briefing?

Regards,

[Name]

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-----Original Appointment-----

From: Robert Courts_MP [PD] <[redacted]@dft.gov.uk>
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 Subject: Meeting w/ Brian Johnson
 When: 15 November 2021 10:55-12:00 (UTC+00:00) Dublin, Edinburgh, Lisbon, London.
 Where: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Meeting will start at 11:00, but please join at 10:55 for a quick pre-brief

Dear all,

Minister Courts will meet with Brian Johnson, Chief Executive, MCA.

I would be grateful if @ [Name] could co-ordinate the provision of written briefing to this office, by **2pm on Thursday 11th November.**

Please **do add the appropriate officials**. However, please do not forward this invite to externals without a DfT address.

Please contact the lead PS: **Name** with your queries. **Please do not respond directly to this diary invite.**

Many thanks,

Name

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