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Dear Alison,

I am writing in response to your letter regarding the 90th Soroptimist International Great Britain and Ireland Federation Conference.

Please share the message of greeting below with all conference participants when you gather together in Edinburgh in November.

I very much share your belief in a world without barriers and one that eradicates systemic and ingrained inequality. Through your collective actions, and by 'Standing Up for Women and Girls' around the globe, you not only demonstrate your desire for a better and more equal world, but you also live it.

Each and every one of us has a role to play in advancing gender equality. No woman or girl can be left behind. It is crucial that all players: stakeholders, activists, and politicians, stand ready to work in partnership, to turn the dial and make real, meaningful, and swift progress to achieve the change we all want to see.

In Wales, we are working with and for Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic women, disabled women, LGBTQ+ women, women in poverty, older women, girls, and others to deliver equality and social justice. I believe our focus on intersectionality, equality of outcome and social justice is how we will move towards our vision of a gender equal Wales.

I commend each of you for the work you continue to do to advance gender equality and send you my very best wishes for an enjoyable and valuable conference.

Yours sincerely,

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