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Dear Michael,

## **ARBITRATION ACT 2025: COMMENCEMENT**

This Government is prioritising economic growth. As the Minister for Legal Services, I am committed to supporting our legal and dispute resolution services to achieve that growth. This is why I am pleased to share that the Arbitration Act 2025, which received Royal Assent earlier this year, will enter into force in full on 1 August 2025.

This Act includes targeted updates to our arbitral framework that will enhance the fairness and efficiency of arbitration, attract more international business to the UK, and generate economic growth. It provides an important signal that our jurisdiction is open for business and convince even more people and businesses from across the world to resolve their disputes on our shores.

Our independent and expert judiciary is one of our jurisdiction's edges. Parties can be confident arbitrations seated here benefit from robust and efficient court oversight. I am grateful for the judiciary's contribution to these reforms, both during the Law Commission's consultation and the legislation's passage through Parliament.

Yours sincerely,

SARAH SACKMAN KC MP Minister Of State