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WRITTEN STATEMENT BY THE WELSH ASSEMBLY GOVERNMENT

Title: **Referendum update**

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By: **Carwyn Jones , the First Minister**

I wanted to inform Assembly Members that I have today written to the Secretary of State for Wales reiterating that it is our understanding that the drafting work on the Order in Council to be laid before Parliament will have been substantially completed by the end of this month.

Secondly, we have provided a suggested question in both English and Welsh (attached) for the Secretary of State to consider.

Thirdly, we have expressed our strong preference for a referendum to be held in late October of this year.

It is now a matter for the Secretary of State to consider the question and the date.