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Above: Jamie is pictured speaking at a "Focus on Organ Donation" event he hosted at the Scottish Parliament on behalf of the "Live Life then Give Life" campaign the 12th of September.

Motion on Scotland's Representation in the European Parliament

Jamie has lodged an amendment to motion S3M-256 in the name of Patricia Ferguson (Scotland's Representation in the European Parliament). The original motion had the Parliament noting that with the enlargement of the European Union and the reduction of the overall number of UK members in the European Parliament that the proposed cut from seven to six MEPs would be harmful to Scotland's interests. The Electoral Commission should take into account Scotland's unique geographical circumstances and its devolved system of government when making its recommendation to the UK Government. Jamie's amendment to this motion adds to the end:

"but [the Parliament] also recognises that various full member states of the EU with a population smaller than that of Scotland, such as the Republic of Ireland, Lithuania and Latvia, presently have more representatives within the European Parliament, and further recognises that the only way to ensure that Scotland has decent representation in the Parliament is by becoming an independent full member state of the European Union."

Below: Jamie pictured with Bethan Jenkins, Plaid Cymru member of the Welsh Assembly who visited the Scottish Parliament on 23rd October. Bethan is the youngest member of the Welsh Assembly.



Rail Services Grant

Jamie was pleased with the announcement that freight containers travelling between Grangemouth and Aberdeen will continue by rail rather than road thanks to the Scottish Government and the £750,000 grant that has been made available. Over 25,000 lorry trips will be avoided over the next three years. This will congestion across Scotland and assist the local Grangemouth economy.

