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Dear Mr Mealey,

Thank you for your correspondence of 24 June to the Minister for Creative Industries, Arts and Tourism, Sir Chris Bryant MP, regarding concerns about potential US tariffs on films produced outside of the US. I am replying as a member of the Ministerial Support Team.

There are no tariffs on the UK's film industry, but we recognise the seriousness of the concerns you raise and can reassure you that we continue to monitor the situation closely. We are in contact with a range of film industry representatives from across the sector, including figures from UK and US film companies, trade bodies and unions, to discuss these issues.

The deep ties between the US and UK film industries provide mutual economic and cultural benefits to both countries, including of course in Belfast where so much world-leading production occurs.

Belfast's thriving film and TV sector is one of the reasons why the recently published Creative Industries Sector Plan spotlights the city as a high-potential cluster for creative industries growth and a unique investment offer. The Sector Plan contains ambitious proposals to bolster growth in the creative industries across the UK. Given support for culture and the creative industries is devolved, the department will continue to work with the Northern Ireland Executive to ensure creative businesses across the UK are able to thrive.

Thank you again for your letter, and I hope this response reassures you about the government's commitment to ensuring the UK's film sector continues to thrive and create good jobs right across the country.

Yours sincerely,

**Ministerial Support Team**

