



BUCKINGHAM PALACE

I would like to congratulate Captain Rachel Malcolm, Head Coach Bryan Easson and all members of the Scotland Women's Rugby World Cup squad, players, supporting staff and management, for your achievement in qualifying for the Women's Rugby World Cup in New Zealand.

This is the first time Scotland has qualified since 2010, so I know none of you have played in a World Cup Final tournament before. You have earned your places in the squad, and the team has earned its place at the tournament, through your qualifying wins against Ireland and Colombia.

I wish you the best of fortune in your tough Opening Pool games against Wales, Australia and New Zealand and whatever happens next, so that you can advance to the final.