

10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

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Dear Jim

I was very pleased to have the opportunity to spend a few hours with you and your colleagues at the Department of Employment on Monday. There was plenty to discuss, and we could well have filled more time. I found our discussions informative and useful, and I hope that your colleagues and your staff also found them helpful. I valued the opportunity to have that kind of frank exchange.

I was also grateful for the opportunity to see something of the Department at work. Please pass on my thanks to Sir Kenneth Barnes and all his staff for the excellent arrangements which were made, including the admirable catering at lunch time.

Yours ever

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