

HOUSE OF COMMONS LONDON SWIA 0AA

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Van Durking

Thank you for your letter about the Labour Party's proposal to abolish the House of Lords without replacing it. I have been discussing this with Peter Carrington who takes your view, and we have agreed to set up a policy committee forthwith. Would you have a word with Peter about it? We were going to ask Alec Douglas-Home to be Chairman.

The Lord Hailsham of St. Marylebone, CH PC FRS DL