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Dear Nick,

CIVIL SERVICE PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNOLOGY STAFF: PAY DISPUTE

attached  
MS

I am glad to say that we have now heard that the IPCS special delegate conference today accepted the package involving a two stage reference to the CSAT on the lines agreed by the two sides last week (my letter of 27 July). In consequence the IPCS are calling for a full return to normal working from next Monday, and have undertaken that no further industrial action will be taken in connection with this pay review.

We are now going to authorise as speedily as possible payment of the first 1 April and 1 August stages of the settlement (on account) in accordance with the arrangements agreed for the Civil Service as a whole.

In dealing with any press enquiries we are taking the line that we welcome the IPCS decision to accept the package which we believe provides a fair and sensible way forward which safeguards the interests of both parties.

Copies of this letter go to Private Secretaries to all members of Cabinet, of the Minister of Transport, and of John Hunt.

Yours sincerely,  
Jim Buckley.

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(Private Secretary)  
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