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The Rt Hon Patrick Jenkin MP Secretary of State for the Environment Department of the Environment 2 Marsham Street LONDON SW1P 3EB

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CONTRACTING OUT OF LOCAL AUTHORITY SERVICES

At the 24th meeting of E(A)(84) held on 16 October you were invited along with Norman Fowler and Sir Keith Joseph to agree whether and how the competitive tendering regime should be applied to bus services provided in connection with education.

The scope for this in Scotland is not, of course, likely to be of the same magnitude as for England and Wales. Nevertheless, since I am responsible for both education and transport in Scotland, I should be glad if you would keep me in touch with your deliberations.

I am copying this letter to other members of E(A) and to Sir Robert Armstrong.

Yours wer, Cury

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