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Dear David

at 11.45

TEACHERS' PAY: THE MAIN REPORT

Your letter of 25 September to Rob Smith records that my Secretary of State is to revise and re-circulate the draft statement which he is to make when the Main Report is published on 2 October.

I attach a revised draft on the lines discussed by Ministers and shall be glad to know as soon as possible whether the Prime Minister is content.

Copies go to Joan MacNaughton (Lord President's Office), Alex Allen (HM Treasury), Colin Williams (Welsh Office), Andrew Lansley (Office of the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster), John Turner (Department of Employment), Robin Young (Department of the Environment), Rob Smith (Department of Education and Science), Jill Rutter (Chief Secretary's Office, Treasury) and Michael Stark (Cabinet Office).

Yours sincerely

Andy Riffkind

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Approved by the Sols
and signed in his absence.

Prime Minister 1

The first paragraph goes over the top. Agree subject to the omission of "wholeheartedly"?

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DRAFT PRESS RELEASE FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Sir Peter Main and his colleagues were given a wide remit and were asked to work very quickly. I congratulate them [wholeheartedly] on the thoroughness with which they have tackled their onerous task and for the speed with which they have produced such a wide ranging and comprehensive report.

When I announced the establishment of the Committee in March I made it clear that we would wish to study its recommendations - and the reactions of the teachers' unions and employers to the report as a whole - before reaching any decisions.

The Government will now give the Report close and urgent consideration, and I have urged the teachers and the employers to do likewise and to give me their reactions to the whole range of the Report's recommendations. [I shall take their views fully into account in giving my own detailed response to it.]

EDUCATION: Teacher pay pt 7.

