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*Prime Minister*²
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Dear David
DLW
8/11
Lord Young did well to
win agreement to all this
from the Treasury.
ENTERPRISE AND EMPLOYMENT

Thank you for your letter of 7 November recording the outcome of the meeting which the Prime Minister chaired yesterday on the above.

As agreed yesterday, my Secretary of State met the Chief Secretary this morning to discuss, amongst other things, the timing of announcements next week. They agreed that the Autumn Statement on Tuesday should contain brief reference to both additional employment measures and the reduced expenditure from the Redundancy Fund. They also agreed that this should be followed on Wednesday by statements in both Houses announcing both the abolition of redundancy rebates (save for firms under 10) and the increases in the DE's programmes arising out of the PES survey. It was further agreed that the latter should include pilot schemes for the long term unemployment guarantee scheme, which will include the enterprise scheme for the long term unemployed, in a number of selected areas. Officials of the Treasury and the Department of Employment are in touch over the details of the statement.

I am copying this letter to Tony Kuczys (HM Treasury), Alison Smith (Lord Privy Seal's Office), Andrew Lansley (Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster's Office), Jacob Franklin (Paymaster General's Office here), Richard Broadbent (Chief Secretary's Office), David Beamish (Government Chief Whip's Office, House of Lords), Michael Stark (Sir Robert Armstrong's Office) and the Chief Press Secretary (No 10).

Yours ever
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STATEMENT AND DISCUSSION

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above matter.

In view of the fact that the above matter is a matter of internal management, and is not a matter of public interest, I am unable to disclose the details of the same. However, I am able to state that the above matter is a matter of internal management, and is not a matter of public interest.

I am, Sir, very truly,
Yours faithfully,
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